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ARTICLE I.

INCORPORATION AND POWERS.

Section 1. The municipal corporation now existing and known as "The City of Los Angeles," shall continue to be a municipal corporation under the same name and with the same boundaries that it now has, to wit:

Beginning at a cement monument in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, said monument being set on the township line between township one south, range fourteen west, and township two south, range fourteen west, San Bernardino Base and Meridian; said monument being 8094.61 feet from the common corner to township one south, range thirteen west, township one south, range fourteen west, township two south, range thirteen west, and township two south, range fourteen west, San Bernardino Base and Meridian; thence from said point of beginning north 0 degrees 07 minutes 00 seconds west, 2644.49 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 06 minutes 30 seconds west 2640.89 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 16 minutes 30 seconds west, 2641.80 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds west, 2827.62 feet to a point; thence south 88 degrees 20 minutes 30 seconds east, 180.04 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 53 minutes 30 seconds east, 2638.46 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 39 minutes 30 seconds east, 5282.98 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds west, 5107.53 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 57 minutes 15 seconds east, 2206.69 feet to a point on the West Patent Boundary line of the City of Los Angeles, as per

map recorded in Book 2 of Miscellaneous Records of the County of Los Angeles, California, at pages 504 and 505 thereof; thence along said West Patent Boundary line north 0 degrees 24 minutes 00 seconds west, 7087.80 feet to the northwest corner of the City of Los Angeles, as per map aforesaid; thence along the North Patent Boundary line of the City of Los Angeles, as per map aforesaid, south 89 degrees 34 minutes 30 seconds east, 13,278.36 feet to a point; thence continuing along said North Patent Boundary line south 89 degrees 20 minutes 15 seconds east, 6826.16 feet to a point; thence north 187.03 feet to a point; thence north 39 degrees 28 minutes 00 seconds east, 2130.20 feet to a point; thence north 4 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds east, 1188.40 feet to a point; thence north 11 degrees 43 minutes 00 seconds east, 1627.80 feet to a point; thence north 59 degrees 16 minutes 30 seconds east, 2021.40 feet to a point; thence north 34 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds west, 37.50 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 34 minutes 30 seconds east, 9.01 feet to a point; thence north 34 degrees 40 minutes 30 seconds west, 375.54 feet to a point; thence north 58 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds east, 392.23 feet to a point; thence north 79 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds east, 206.58 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds east, 487.08 feet to a point; thence north 53 degrees 57 minutes 00 seconds east, 562.80 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds east, 1008.00 feet to a point; thence south 0 degrees 39 minutes 15 seconds east, 47.87 feet to a point; thence north 59 degrees 22 minutes east, 1584.52 feet to a point; thence north 12 degrees 04 minutes 15 seconds east, 1714.26 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 59 minutes 30 seconds east, 942.00 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 56 minutes 30 seconds east, 3674.92 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 50 minutes east, 1174.63 feet to a point; thence south 36 degrees 15 minutes 15 seconds west, 629.95 feet along the center line of Avenue 66 (formerly Cooper Avenue) to a point; thence south 53 degrees 55 minutes east, 299.50 feet to a point; thence south 36 degrees 16 minutes 15 seconds west,

900.50 feet to a point; thence south 53 degrees 28 minutes east, 280.28 feet to a point; thence south 51 degrees 41 minutes 15 seconds west, 1205.69 feet along the center line of San Pasqual avenue to a point; thence south 22 degrees 00 minutes 45 seconds east, along the boundary line of the San Rafael Rancho, 463.17 feet to a point; thence south 34 degrees 15 minutes west, 264.00 feet to a point; thence south 56 degrees west, 686.40 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees west, still along the boundary line of the San Rafael Rancho, 759.50 feet to a point on the northerly line of the right of way of the Southern California Railway; thence north 70 degrees 22 minutes 45 seconds west along said northerly line of said right of way, 83.30 feet to a point; thence south 19 degrees 37 minutes 15 seconds west, 75 feet along said northerly line of said right of way to a point; thence north 70 degrees 22 minutes 45 seconds west, 667.59 feet along said northerly line of said right of way to a point; thence south 39 degrees 05 minutes 15 seconds west, 220.85 feet to a point; thence south 14 degrees 56 minutes 45 seconds east, 103.17 feet to a point; thence south 4 degrees 14 minutes west, 421.76 feet to a point; thence south 52 degrees 23 minutes west, 654.99 feet to a point; thence north 79 degrees 29 minutes 30 seconds west, 830.17 feet to a point in the southeasterly line of the right of way of the Los Angeles Terminal Railway; thence following said southeasterly line of said right of way along a curve to the left (the radius of said curve being 701.78 feet), 21.99 feet to a point, said point being south 56 degrees 16 minutes 15 seconds west, 21.98 feet from the last mentioned point; thence following said southeasterly line of said right of way south 30 degrees 18 minutes 15 seconds east, 10.03 feet to a point; thence following said southeasterly line of said right of way along a curve to the left (the radius of said curve being 691.78 feet), 83.50 feet to a point; said point being at the end of said curve, and also being south 51 degrees 51 minutes 15 seconds west, 83.46 feet from the last mentioned point; thence on a line tangent to said curve, south 48 degrees 23 minutes 45 seconds west, 642.51

feet along said southeasterly line of said right of way to a point in the center line of Avenue 57; thence south 0 degrees 14 minutes east, 1646.90 feet to a point; thence south 83 degrees 16 minutes 15 seconds west, 195.19 feet to a point; thence south 2710.89 feet to a point, the same being the northeast Patent Corner of the City of Los Angeles, California, as per map hereinbefore mentioned; thence along the east Patent Boundary line of said City of Los Angeles and its prolongation, south 0 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds east, 29,217.63 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 43 minutes 00 seconds west, 14,401.51 feet to a point; thence south 1 degree 13 minutes 00 seconds east, 1760.83 feet to a point; thence south 2 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds east, 674.27 feet to a point; thence south 3 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds east, 2721.73 feet to a point; thence south 4 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds east, 1491.15 feet to a point; thence south 4 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds east, 2637.61 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 13 minutes 00 seconds west, 2975.73 feet to a point; thence west 2632.54 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds west, 1320.95 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 24 minutes 30 seconds west, 1330.50 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds west, 2649.30 feet to a point; thence south 0 degrees 09 minutes 30 seconds east, 220.02 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 40 minutes 30 seconds west, 2647.48 feet to a point; thence south, 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds west, 390.06 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds west, 8105.59 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds west, 2263.05 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 55 minutes 15 seconds west, 2616.34 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds west, 2648.75 feet to a point; thence south 89 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds west, 2627.60 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds west, 2661.10 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 49 minutes 30 seconds west, 991.74 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 06 minutes 30 seconds east, 457.30 feet to a point;

thence north 0 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds west, 2184.50 feet to a point; thence north 89 degrees 59 minutes 00 seconds east, 809.72 feet to a point; thence north 0 degrees 07 minutes 00 seconds west, 2582.68 feet to the point of beginning; said courses being according to the true meridian; said boundaries embracing an area of 27,696.69 acres of land; and the said corporation shall continue vested with all the property rights of every kind now belonging to it.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 2. The said Corporation shall have the power:

(1) To make and use a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure.

(2) To sue and be sued in all actions and proceedings whatever.

(3) To have perpetual succession.

(4) To erect and maintain public buildings, and to lay out, establish, improve and maintain public parks and cemeteries.

(5) To provide for the care of the sick and helpless.

(6) To make regulations to prevent the spread of epidemics and contagious and loathsome diseases.

(7) To provide for supplying the city and its inhabitants with water, gas and electricity, or either or any thereof, or with other means of heat, illumination or power; and to acquire or construct and to lease or operate, and to regulate the construction or operation of conduits or of railroads, or other means of transit or transportation, and of plants and equipments for the production or transmission of gas, electricity, heat, refrigeration or power, in any of their forms, by pipes, wires or other means; and to incur a bonded indebtedness for any of such purposes, provided the question of the issue of bonds therefor shall first be submitted to the qualified electors of the city at a special or general election, and that two-thirds of the votes cast on the question of said issue of bonds shall have been cast in favor thereof.—[Amendment, 1909.]

(7-a.) To provide for the supply of surplus water and surplus electric power, or either, belonging to the city, to other

municipal corporations and to consumers and users outside of the city limits.

(7-b.) To acquire or build and operate railroads and inter-urban railroads from any point within the city limits, to any place or places within Los Angeles County and located on the ocean, or any inlet thereof, for the purpose of transporting passengers or freight between the city and the ocean, and to fix and collect charges therefor.

(7-c.) To acquire or construct and operate public wharves, docks, piers or moles upon the seashore, in connection with the transportation of passengers and freight between the ocean and the city, and to fix and collect charges therefor.—[Amendment, 1909.]

(8) To lay out, open, extend, widen, improve or vacate, pave and repave streets and alleys, sidewalks and crossings, and other highways.

(9) To construct and maintain sewers, drains and other works necessary for the disposition of sewerage.

(10) To establish and maintain public schools and public libraries.

(11) To levy assessments upon property to pay for the improvement of streets and other public improvements, and to collect the same, and to levy and collect taxes upon property for municipal purposes; provided that the tax levied for any one year, for all municipal purposes, other than payment of interest on the municipal debt and redemption of bonds, shall not exceed $1 on each $100 worth of taxable property.

(12) To manage, control, sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of any or all the property of the said corporation; and to appropriate the income or proceeds thereof to the use of the said corporation; provided that it shall have no power to mortgage or hypothecate its property for any purpose.

(13) To license and regulate the carrying on of any and all professions, trades, callings and occupations carried on within the limits of said city, and to fix the amount of license tax thereon

to be paid by all persons engaged in such professions, trades, callings or occupations, provide the manner of enforcing the payment of the same; provided that no discrimination shall be made between persons engaged in the same business otherwise than by proportioning the tax upon any business to the amount of business done; and to license, regulate, restrain, suppress or prohibit any or all laundries, livery and sale stables, cattle and horse corrals, slaughter-houses, butcher-shops, hawkers, peddlers, pawnbrokers, dance-cellars, melodeons, shows, circuses, public billiard-tables, bowling and ten-pin alleys, and to suppress and prohibit all faro banks, games of chance, gambling-houses, tables or stands, bawdy-houses, the keeping of bees within the city limits, and any and all obnoxious, offensive, immoral, indecent or disreputable places of business or practice.

(14) To create offices, and provide for the election or appointment of officers other than those established by this charter, or by the general law, whenever the public convenience may require the same, and prescribe their duties and fix their compensation. (But this shall not be construed to authorize the creation of new offices and the appointment of other officers to perform the duties by this charter assigned to officers provided for herein, other than the necessary deputies and assistants to the officers of said city.)

(15) To acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or other lawful means, property, both real and personal, including water and water rights, within or without the corporate limits, necessary or convenient for municipal purposes, or for the exercise of the powers granted to said corporation.

(16) To fix the salaries of municipal offices, except those officers whose salaries are fixed by this charter.

(17) To provide and maintain a proper and efficient fire department, and make and adopt such measures, rules and regulations for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, and for the preservation of property endangered thereby, as may be deemed expedient.

(18) To protect the property of its inhabitants against inundations.

(19) To provide against the existence of filth, garbage and other injurious and inconvenient matter within the city, and for the disposition of the same.

(20) To make the violation of its ordinances a misdemeanor in all proper cases, and to prescribe the punishment therefor, by fine or imprisonment, or by both; but such fine not to exceed $500, and such imprisonment not to exceed six months.

(21) To prescribe the places at which elections shall be held, and appoint the officers of elections.

(22) To make and enforce within its limits such local, police, sanitary and other regulations as are not in conflict with general laws and are deemed expedient to maintain the public peace, protect property, promote the public morals and to preserve the health of its inhabitants.

(23) To exercise all municipal powers necessary to the complete and efficient management and control of the municipal property, and for the efficient administration of the municipal government, whether such powers be expressly enumerated herein or not, except such powers as are forbidden or are controlled by general law.

(24) The powers conferred by this article shall be exercised by ordinance, except as hereinafter provided.

(25) No franchise, right or privilege in, on, through, across, under or over any street, avenue, alley, bridge, viaduct, or other public place, and no other franchise whatever granted by the city to any corporation, association or individual, shall be granted except by an ordinance passed by vote of two-thirds (2-3) of the whole council, nor for a longer period than twenty-one years. Such grant and any contract in pursuance thereof shall provide that at the option of the city, declared not more than three (3) years, nor less than six months before the termination of such grant, the plant and property, if any, belonging to or used by the grantee, or his or its successors in interest, in the streets,

avenues and other public places shall, at the termination of said grant, upon the payment of a fair valuation thereof, be and become the property of the city; but the grantee shall be entitled to no payment because of any valuation derived from the franchise. Provided, however, that such option shall not be exercised unless at the time of exercising the same the city shall be authorized and empowered to acquire and operate such plant and property. Every grant shall specify the mode of determining any valuation therein provided for and the time and mode of payment, and shall make adequate provision by way of forfeiture of the grant or otherwise to secure efficiency of public service at reasonable rates, and the maintenance of the property in good order throughout the term of the grant.—[Amendment, 1905.]

(26) No wharf, dock, sea-wall, railroad, street railroad, electric road, traction road, canal, conduit, subway, water system, gas or electric system, light or power works or plant, or any public utility, now or hereafter owned or controlled by the City of Los Angeles, or the right to generate or develop electric or other power by means of any water or water right, now or hereafter owned or controlled by said city, shall ever be sold, transferred, leased, or disposed of, in whole, or in part, without the assent of two-thirds of the qualified voters of said city voting on the proposition at a general or special election at which such proposition shall be lawfully submitted; and no electric power, now or hereafter owned or controlled by said city shall ever be sold, transferred, leased, or disposed of to any person or corporation for resale, rental, disposal, or distribution to consumers, without the assent of two-thirds of the qualified voters of said city given as aforesaid; provided, that nothing in this subdivision contained shall be construed to prevent the ordinary sale and distribution, by the city, of electric power, belonging to the city, to the inhabitants thereof, or persons doing business therein, for their own use, or to prevent the distribution or supplying, by the city, of surplus electric power not required by the city for distribution to consumers within its limits, to consumers outside

of the limits of the city, for their own use, or to other municipal corporations for municipal use or for resale and disposal, by such municipal corporations to consumers within such municipalities, respectively; provided, further, that no electric power shall be distributed or supplied for use outside of the limits of the city unless the furnishing of the same, and the terms and conditions thereof, shall first be authorized by a resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, and approved by an ordinance of said city.

(27) The bed of the Los Angeles River, as now defined and located, shall not, nor shall any part thereof, ever be sold, granted, leased, transferred or alienated in any way; but the whole thereof shall be kept at all times for municipal purposes, and no franchise or right to use the same, or any part thereof, shall ever be granted, sold, leased or given away; provided this shall not prevent the granting by ordinance of franchises or rights to cross said river bed, or to take sand or gravel therefrom.—[Amendment, 1909.]

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

Sec. 3. The officers of the municipality shall be:
A Mayor.
Nine Councilmen.
A City Clerk.
A Clerk of the Mayor.
A City Treasurer.
A City Auditor.
A City Tax and License Collector.
Seven Members of the Board of Education.
A City School Superintendent.
Five Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library.
A City Assessor.

A City Engineer.
A City Attorney.
A Water Overseer.
Five Police Commissioners.
A Chief of Police.
A Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.
Five Members of the Board of Health.
A Health Officer.
Five Fire Commissioners.
Five Park Commissioners.
Five Water Commissioners.
A Superintendent of Water Works.
Three Commissioners of Public Works.
A Secretary of the Board of Public Works.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 4. The following officers shall be elected by the electors of the City of Los Angeles at large, to wit:

The Mayor.
The City Clerk.
The City Attorney.
The City Treasurer.
The City Auditor.
The City Tax and License Collector.
The City Assessor.
Seven Members of the Board of Education, and
Nine Members of the Council.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 5. All elective officers, except those elected at the general municipal election to be held on the first Tuesday in December, 1906, shall hold their offices for a term of two years, commencing on the first Monday in January next succeeding their election.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 6. The Mayor shall appoint a Clerk of the Mayor. He shall also appoint, subject to confirmation by a majority of the Council, the Superintendent of Buildings, and such other officers of the municipality mentioned in this charter whose appoint-

ments are not otherwise provided for herein.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 7. The City School Superintendent shall be appointed by the Board of Education. The Chief of Police shall be appointed by the Board of Police Commissioners. The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department shall be appointed by the Board of Fire Commissioners. The Health Officer shall be appointed by the Board of Health. Each Police Judge shall appoint his own clerk.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 8. If any elective officer shall die or remove from the city or absent himself from the city for more than thirty days, or shall fail to qualify by taking the oath of office and filing his official bond, as required, within ten days from the time he receives his certificate of election or appointment, or if he shall resign, or be convicted of a felony, or adjudged insane, or shall absent himself from his office for more than five days without the consent of the Council, his office may be declared vacant by the Council, and it shall thereupon fill the vacancy.

Sec. 9. All appointed officers shall hold office until removed by the appointing power, which shall have the power of removing in all cases; provided that where confirmation is required the assent of the confirming body shall be requisite for removal.

The Council shall have power to suspend any officer of the city, pending trial, against whom criminal proceedings based on misdemeanor in office or civil action for recovery of money due the city has been commenced, and to appoint a substitute for such office during suspension.

In all voting upon the appointment, confirmation, suspension and removal of officers the members of the Council, or other body appointing, confirming, suspending or removing, shall vote by open ballot or call of roll, and the ballot or vote of each member shall be spread upon the minutes.

Sec. 10. Every officer provided for in this charter shall, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of his office, take and subscribe to the following oath or affirmation: "I do sol-

emnly swear (or affirm as the case may be) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of California, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of (here inserting the name of the office) ..... according to the best of my ability.

Sec. 11. No member of the Council shall, during the term for which he shall have been elected, be eligible to any office to be filled or confirmed by the Council; nor shall any member of the Council be selected to fill any vacancy that may occur in any other office where such a vacancy is to be filled or confirmed by the Council.

ARTICLE III.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL.

Sec. 12. All legislative power of the city is vested in the Council, subject to the power of veto and approval by the Mayor, as hereinafter given, and shall be exercised by ordinance; other action of the Council may be by order upon motion.

Sec. 13. The said Council, consisting of nine Councilmen, elected as herein provided, is the governing body of the city, and shall meet at least once a week, and shall by ordinance provide for the manner, time and place of holding all regular and special meetings.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 14. The Council shall meet in the City Hall of the city. The records of its proceedings shall be open for inspection during usual office hours.

Sec. 15. The enacting clause of all ordinances shall be substantially as follows: "The Mayor and Council of the City of Los Angeles do ordain as follows:"

Sec. 16. Six members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but no ordinance shall be passed or other act done granting a franchise, making any contract, auditing any bill, ordering any work to be done, or sup-

plies to be furnished, disposing of or leasing the city property, ordering any assessment for street improvement, or building sewers, or any other act to be done involving the paying of money, or the incurring of debt by the city, unless two-thirds of the members of the whole Council vote in favor thereof. All other ordinances may be passed by a vote of a majority of the whole Council.

Sec. 17. All bonds of officers must be approved by the Council, as also the bonds of any contractors with the city. The City Clerk shall indorse upon such bonds the date of their approval, which indorsement shall be signed by the presiding officer of the Council and the City Clerk.

Sec. 18. No councilman or other city officer shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract to which the city is a party, or made by any officer of the city in behalf of the city. Any violation of this section shall be a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, besides the penalties that may be imposed by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Council shall declare the office vacant, and any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be forever disqualified from holding any office under this charter. Nor shall any officer of the city be a surety on any bond given to the city, or to any person for the benefit of the city.

Sec. 19. The City Clerk shall be present at the meeting of the Council during its sessions.

Sec. 20. The meetings of the Council shall be public, and a journal of the proceedings shall be kept by the Clerk under its direction, and the ayes and noes shall be taken and entered in the journal in the final action upon the granting of franchises, making of contracts, auditing bills, ordering work to be done or supplies furnished, disposing of or leasing city property, the passage of any ordinance, the ordering of assessments for street improvements, or building of sewers, or upon any other act that may involve the payment of money, or the incurring of a debt by

the city, and upon the payment of the salaries of the municipal officers; and in all other cases upon the call of any member.

Sec. 21. The Council shall be the judge of the election and qualifications of its members. It shall elect one of its members as its presiding officer, who shall be styled the President of the Council, and who shall, in case of sickness of the Mayor or his absence from the city, act as the Mayor of the city. The Council shall have power to prescribe the rules of its proceedings, and to preserve order at its meetings, and may punish contemptuous or disorderly conduct committed in its presence by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and imprisonment not exceeding ten days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 22. It shall prescribe by ordinance the duties of all officers whose duties are not defined by this charter, and it may by ordinance prescribe for any officer duties other than those herein prescribed and not inconsistent with the provisions of this charter, and may fix the hours during which the public office of any city officer shall be kept open, if not otherwise herein provided.

Sec. 23. It shall provide suitable rooms for the Police Court and officers, and the furniture, fuel, lights and stationery necessary for the transaction of the business of the city.

Sec. 24. It shall by ordinance regulate the entrance to and exits from theatres, lecture rooms, churches, public halls, and public buildings of every kind, and prohibit the placing of chairs, benches or other obstructions in the hall, aisles, or open places therein.

Sec. 25. It may, by ordinance, declare what constitutes a nuisance, and provide for the abatement and removal thereof.

Sec. 26. It shall make such arrangements as it may deem best for the care and custody and feeding of all persons imprisoned by municipal authority, or sentenced to imprisonment by the Police Courts, and may, by ordinance, require all persons held under sentence to perform any public work.

Sec. 27. It shall, by ordinance, regulate, and may prohibit,

the keeping of gunpowder, acids, or other explosive, combustible or inflammable material within the limits of the city, or any specified part thereof.

Sec. 28. It shall provide for the surveys of streets and blocks of land within the limits of the city, and may, by ordinance, declare such surveys official, and may compel all persons to conform to the streets as they are now or may be hereafter lawfully established and declared official, or otherwise dedicated.

Sec. 29. It shall, by ordinance, establish stands for hacks and other vehicles for hire, and regulate the charges of hacks and other vehicles carrying passengers for hire, and require a schedule of such charges to be posted in every such hack or other passenger vehicle.

Sec. 30. It shall, by ordinance, establish fire districts, and determine the character of buildings that may be erected therein, and the nature of the materials to be used in the construction, alteration or repair of such buildings, or in the repair or alteration of existing buildings within such limits.

Sec. 31. The Council shall have power, by ordinance, to regulate and provide for lighting of streets, laying down gas pipes and erection of lamp posts, electric towers and other apparatus, and to regulate the sale and use of gas and electric light, and fix and determine the price of gas and electric light, and the rent of gas meters within the city, and regulate the inspection thereof, and to regulate telephone service, and the use of telephones within the city, and to fix and determine the charges for telephones and telephone service, and connections; and to prohibit or regulate the erection of poles for telegraph, telephone or electric wire in the public grounds, streets or alleys, and the placing of wire thereon; and to require the removal from the public grounds. streets or alleys of any or all such poles, and the removal and placing under ground of any or all telegraph, telephone or electric wires.

Sec. 32. It shall, by ordinance, provide for the naming of streets and numbering of houses, and for regulating or prevent-

ing the exhibition of banners, flags or placards across the streets, or sidewalks, and for regulating or suppressing public criers, advertising, ringing of bells, and other noises.

It shall, by ordinance, forbid the erection or display on any building or property of the city, of any banner, device or flag of any State or Nation except that of the United States, the State of California, or the City of Los Angeles.

The Council may by ordinance authorize the expenditure of money, not to exceed the sum of five thousand dollars, in any one fiscal year, for the proper celebration of the anniversary of the declaration of national independence, and such other public celebrations, events, or demonstrations as the Council may deem proper.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 33. It shall, by ordinance, provide for maintaining a fire alarm and police telegraph system, and for the cleaning and sprinkling of graded and accepted streets.

Sec. 34. It shall, by ordinance, regulate the speed of railroad trains, engines or cars, street, or other railroad cars, automobiles and other vehicles in the city, and require persons, firms or corporations, operating railroads or street or other railroads, to station flagmen, place gates, or construct bridges, viaducts, tunnels or subways, at railroad crossings, as the Council may deem proper.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 35. It shall by ordinance prohibit the making up of railroad trains on any of its streets, and the stopping of any train on any street crossing.

Sec. 36. It shall, by ordinance, provide for the removal of all rubbish, garbage, refuse matter, and of all material detrimental to the public health, and at such time as it will be the best for the public good.

Sec. 36-a. The Council shall have power, by ordinance, to provide for the planting, maintenance, or care of shade and ornamental trees in streets and other public places, and for the removal of unsightly and dead trees therefrom; and to make

the cost thereof a lien and charge upon the abutting property, and to make provision for the enforcement of such lien.

Sec. 36-b. The Council shall have power, by ordinance, to provide for the removal, from private lands or lots, of weeds, rubbish, or any other material which may endanger or injure neighboring property, or the health or welfare of the residents of the vicinity; to make the cost thereof a lien and charge upon such lands or lots, and to make provision for the enforcement of such lien.

Sec. 36-c. The Council shall have power, by ordinance, to require the owners of real property in the city to remove grass, weeds or obstructions from the public sidewalks in front of their property, and, upon their default, to cause such work to be done and the cost thereof to be made a lien and charge upon such property, and to make provision for the enforcement of such lien.

Sec. 36-d. The Council shall have power, by ordinance, to require the owners of real property fronting upon any street, lane, alley or other public place, in which there are sewers, water or gas mains or other mains or conduits, to connect their several premises therewith before such street, lane, alley or other public place, or the portion thereof upon which such property fronts, is paved or otherwise improved, and, upon their default, cause such connections to be made and to make the cost thereof a lien and charge upon the property so connected, and to make provision for the enforcement of such lien.

Sec. 36-e. Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, or in the Constitution of the State of California, the Council shall have power, by ordinance, to regulate and control, for any and every purpose, the use of the streets, lanes, alleys, courts and sidewalks, and other public places of the city.

Sec. 36-f. The Council shall have power, by ordinance, to set apart as a boulevard, or boulevards, any street or streets, or portions thereof, and to make regulations for the use of the same.

Sec. 36-g. The Council shall have power, by ordinance, to

provide for the licensing of dogs, the seizure and impounding of unlicensed dogs, the care and protection of lost, strayed or homeless dogs, for the protection of the public against dogs, and the destruction of dangerous or vicious dogs, whether licensed or not; to authorize contracts to be made in the name of the city for the care or protection of, or the prevention of cruelty to, animals, for the capture and impounding of all unlicensed dogs, and the maintenance of a shelter for lost, strayed, or homeless dogs; provided, however, that the compensation to be paid therefor must not exceed, in any one year, the amount collected by the city from the payment of licenses for dogs during such year. —[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 37. Every ordinance which shall have been passed by the Council shall, before it becomes effective, be signed by the City Clerk or other person authorized by the Council to sign the same on its behalf, and be presented to the Mayor for his approval and signature, if he approves it; if not, he shall indorse thereon the date of the presentation to him and shall return it to the City Clerk with his objections in writing. The City Clerk shall indorse thereon the date of its return to him, and shall at the first meeting of the Council thereafter present the same, with the objections of the Mayor, to that body. Thereupon the Council shall proceed to reconsider the passage of the ordinance. Upon such reconsideration, in all cases where the votes of two-thirds of the whole Council are required to pass the ordinance in the first instance, it shall require the votes of three-quarters of the whole Council to pass the ordinance over the Mayor's veto. In all other cases it shall require the votes of two-thirds of the whole Council to pass the ordinance over the veto. The vote, in all cases of reconsideration, shall be by ayes and noes, and the names of the members voting for or against shall be entered upon the journal.

Sec. 38. If any ordinance shall not be returned to the City Clerk by the Mayor, with his objections in writing, within ten days after it shall have been presented to him, it shall become

effective and be as valid as if the Mayor had approved and signed it.

Sec. 39. All ordinances finally adopted under the provision of this charter shall be published in the English language by at least one insertion in some daily newspaper printed and published in the City of Los Angeles, or by posting for at least ten days in three public places in said city, and until and without such publication or posting no ordinance shall be valid or take effect.

Sec. 40. The Council shall also have full power to pass ordinances upon any other subject of municipal control or to carry into effect any other powers of the municipality.

ARTICLE IV.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

MAYOR.

Sec. 41. The Mayor is the executive officer of the corporation, and must exercise a careful supervision over all its affairs.

It shall be the duty of the Mayor, annually, at the first meeting of the Council under this Charter, and on the first meeting in January of each year thereafter, to communicate by message to the Council a general statement of the condition and affairs of the corporation, and to recommend the adoption of such measures as he may deem expedient and proper; and to make such special communication to the Council from time to time as he shall deem expedient.

It shall be his further duty to be vigilant and active in the enforcement of the ordinances of the city; to exercise a constant supervision over the acts and conduct of all its officers and employees; to receive and examine into all complaints made against them for violation or neglect of duty, and certify the same to the Council, or proper board.

And he shall perform such other duties and have such other

powers as are elsewhere in this charter, or by ordinance, imposed upon or granted to him.

CITY CLERK.

Sec. 42. The City Clerk shall have the custody of, and be responsible for, all books, papers, records and archives belonging to the city, not in actual use by other officers, or elsewhere by special provision committed to their custody.

He shall be present at each meeting of the Council, and keep a record of its proceedings.

He shall keep separate books in which respectively he shall record all ordinances and contracts and official bonds.

He shall keep all the books properly indexed, and open to public inspection when not in actual use.

He shall make out, sign and deliver to the City Auditor all licenses other than building permits, and perform such other duties as are, or shall be, imposed by this charter, or by ordinance. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

CITY AUDITOR.

Sec. 43. The City Auditor shall act as the general accountant and fiscal agent of the city, and shall exercise a general superintendence over all of the officers of the city charged in any manner with the receipt, collection or disbursement of the city revenues.

He shall keep a complete set of books, in which he shall set forth in a plain and business-like manner every money transaction of the city, so as to show at all times the state of each fund, from what source the money was derived, and for what purpose any money was expended, and also all collections made and paid into the Treasury by each officer or any other person.

He shall, on application of any person indebted to the city, holding money payable into the Ctiy Treasury, or desiring to pay money therein, certify to the City Treasurer the amount thereof, to what fund applicable, and by whom to be paid. He shall upon

the deposit of the receipt of the City Treasurer for money paid into the City Treasury, charge the City Treasurer with the amount received by him, and give the person paying the same a receipt therefor.

It shall be his duty to apportion among the several funds all public money at any time in the City Treasury, not by law or ordinance specifically apportioned and appropriated, and forthwith notify the City Treasurer of such apportionment or appropriation. He shall countersign and deliver to the proper officer all licenses.

He shall report to the Council at the regular meeting of each week the condition of each fund in the City Treasury and the amount drawn from each fund the preceding week.

He shall make and present a report to the Council at its meeting in the second week of July of each year, showing all financial business transactions of the city for the preceding year ending the 30th day of June last.

He shall audit and approve all demands against the city before payment, and keep a record of the same as hereinafter provided in Article XXI.

He shall on or before the first day of August in each year make and present to the Council a report as to the revenue and expenses of the city for the current fiscal year, in which he shall set forth estimates of (1), the revenue from other sources than taxation; (2), the itemized expenditures; (3), the itemized amounts necessary to be raised by taxation for each fund.

He shall perform such other duties as shall be required of him by this Charter or by ordinance. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.—[Amendment, 1909.]

CITY TREASURER.

Sec. 44. It shall be the duty of the City Treasurer to receive and keep all moneys that shall come to the city by taxation or otherwise, and to pay the same out on demands legally audited in the manner hereinafter provided; and without such auditing

he shall disburse no public moneys whatever, except the principal and interest of the municipal debt when payable.

He shall receive no money into the City Treasury unless accompanied by the certificate of the City Auditor provided for in Section 43 hereof.

He shall issue receipts in duplicate to all persons paying money into the Treasury.

One of which receipts shall be forthwith deposited with the City Auditor.

He shall make a report at the close of each business day to the Auditor, showing all moneys received during the day, together with the number of each receipt given by him therefor, and what account and from whom received and to what fund applied.

He shall, on or before the seventh day of each month, make out and present to the Council a full and complete statement of the receipts and expenditures for the preceding calendar month; and he shall make such special reports from time to time as may be required by the Council.

The Mayor, City Attorney, City Auditor, the Finance Committee of the Council, or any special committee appointed by the Council, separately or collectively, and with the aid of an accountant selected by such officer or committee, shall have the right and power to examine the books of the Treasurer at all times; and the Mayor, Auditor or Finance Committee shall also have the right to inspect and count all public moneys under the Treasurer's control, or on deposit elsewhere. Whenever the city shall provide a proper vault and safes in the City Hall for the keeping of the city money, the Treasurer shall keep said moneys in said vault, except as hereinafter provided. It shall be in the power of the Council, by ordinance, at any time to require the City Treasurer to devote his entire time to the duties of his office. —[Amendment, 1909.]

City Tax and License Collector.

Sec. 45. It shall be the duty of the City Tax and License Collector, in addition to the duties which may be elsewhere prescribed for him in this charter or by ordinance, to collect all taxes and licenses of the city, excepting those hereinafter provided to be collected by the City Assessor.

He shall keep proper books, showing all moneys collected by him as Tax and License Collector.

He shall also keep a book which shall contain a record of every deed given by or on behalf of the city for real estate sold for delinquent taxes or assessments, which book shall be properly indexed and shall be at all suitable times subject to public inspection.

He shall immediately deposit with the City Treasurer all moneys received by him in his capacity as Tax and License Collector.

City Assessor.

Sec. 46. It shall be the duty of the City Assessor, in addition to any duty that may be elsewhere prescribed for him by this Charter or by ordinance, to make out, within such a time as may be prescribed by ordinance of said city, either now in force or which may hereafter be passed in pursuance hereof, a full, true and correct list of all the property, both real and personal, taxable by law, within the limits of said city, with the valuation thereof, and assess the same to the persons by whom it was owned or claimed, or in whose possession or control it was, at 12 o'clock meridian on the first Monday of March next preceding.

Each taxpayer in said city shall make and deliver to the City Assessor annually, and at such time as shall be provided for by ordinance, a statement under oath setting forth specifically all the real and personal property owned by such taxpayer, or in his possession or under his control at 12 o'clock meridian on the first Monday of March next preceding.

It shall be the duty of the Assessor to collect the taxes on all

personal property, when the owner of said property is not seized of real estate in said city sufficient to afford ample security for the collection of said taxes.

In all such cases he shall be governed in fixing the amount of the tax by the rate of the tax levy for the preceding year.

Immediately after fixing the assessment on such property he shall serve on its owner or owners a notice in writing, which shall specify the assessed valuation of the property, the rate per cent and the amount of tax payable, and contain a demand for the payment of said tax within three days after service of said notice. Said notice shall be served personally, or by leaving a copy of the same at the last known place of residence of the person whose property is so assessed.

Upon the expiration of said three days after such service, if the tax demanded still remains unpaid or payment thereof be not secured to the satisfaction of the City Attorney and City Assessor, the Assessor shall forthwith proceed to collect the same by seizure and sale of any personal property owned by the delinquent.

The said sale shall be made by him in the manner provided in Sections 3791, 3792, 3793, 3794, 3795 and 3796 of the Political Code of the State of California; provided, that the newspaper referred to in Section 3792 shall be published in the city, and shall be designated by the Council.

As soon as the rate is fixed for the year in which such collection is made, if it be found that a sum in excess of said rate has been collected, the excess must be repaid in the same manner as other demands against the city are paid, to the person from whom the collection was made, or to his assigns. And if a sum less than the rate fixed has been collected, the deficiency must be collected as other taxes on personal property are collected.

Should the Board of Equalization reduce the valuation for the same year of the property so assessed, the sum collected in excess of said reduced valuation must be repaid in like manner, to the person from whom the collection was made, or to his as-

signs. And if the valuation of said property should be increased by said Board, then the deficiency must be collected as other taxes on personal property are collected.

The Assessor shall carefully note upon his assessment list, and also in a book to be kept by him for the purpose, all collections made by him under this section, and shall turn over to the City Treasurer all money received immediately upon its receipt.

In case the said Assessor shall fail to demand, and through his fault to collect, any and all taxes which by this section he is directed to collect, he shall be and become personally liable to the city for the amount of said delinquent taxes, with interest from the date of their assessment; and the Council is authorized and directed to cause proper action or actions at law to be brought against said Assessor and the sureties on his official bond to recover the same.

The mode of making out assessment lists, of ascertaining the value of property and of equalizing the same shall be such as is now, or may hereafter be, prescribed by the ordinances of the city.

When such list has been made out and the same returned to the Council, as prescribed by such ordinances, the Council shall, at the time and in the manner in such ordinance provided, sit and act as a Board of Equalization, and shall have, as regards the equalization of said list, powers similar to those conferred by law upon the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, as a Board of Equalization of state and county taxes.

The meetings of said Board of Equalization shall be public, and notice of such meetings shall be given by publication at such time and in such manner as shall be provided by ordinance. The said Board shall have the power, in its discretion, to increase or diminish the amount of any or all of the assessments on said lists, both as to real and personal property; provided, that before any such assessments shall be increased, due notice shall be given to the owner or owners of the property the assessed value of which is sought to be increased, and such owner or owners shall

have the opportunity to be heard before the Board, under oath, such notice to be regulated in all respects by ordinance.

After such list has been equalized, it shall be returned to the Council, which shall forthwith fix the levy or rate per cent of taxes levied for all municipal purposes for that fiscal year.

Every tax so levied shall have the force and effect of a judgment against the person and property taxed, and shall be and constitute a lien upon the real property situated in said city so assessed or owned by the party against whom such assessment is made.

Every such assessment and the lien thereof shall have the force and effect of an execution duly levied upon all property owned by the party assessed, or by the unknown owner of such property when assessed to an unknown owner. The judgment is not satisfied nor discharged until the tax assessed against the property and the owners is paid, or the property sold for the payment thereof.

The said corporation shall have such other rights, claims and liens for the amount of such municipal taxes as may now or hereafter be given to or exercised by the people of the State of California for and on account of the assessment of state and county taxes levied in Los Angeles County.

The mode and manner of collecting such municipal taxes, and enforcing such tax lien, and the proceedings thereafter, shall substantially be the same as the mode and manner at the time prescribed by law for the collection of state and county taxes in said county; provided, however, that the council may, by ordinance, have the power to regulate the time or times of the collection of said taxes within each fiscal year, and prescribe by what officers the respective duties appertaining to such collection and enforcement shall be performed. All such proceedings, sales, certificates and conveyances had, made and executed by them in pursuance thereof, shall be of like force, effect and validity as is or may hereafter be given by law to like proceedings and

acts in the matter of the collections of state and county taxes in said county.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Board of Education; Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library; Board of Health; Board of Police Commissioners; Board of Fire Commissioners; Board of Park Commissioners; Board of Water Commissioners.

Sec. 47. The powers and duties of these boards shall be those herein elsewhere set forth, and granted or imposed by ordinance.

City Engineer.

Sec. 48. In addition to other duties imposed upon him by this Charter, or by ordinance of the Council, the City Engineer shall:

1. Make all surveys, inspections and estimates required by the Council.

2. He shall examine all public works done under contract, and report thereon to the City Council.

3. He shall do no work for and take no fee or professional recompense from any individual or corporation other than the city during his term of office; provided, however, that on application of any person owning or interested in real property in said city for a survey or plat of such property, the City Council may direct such work to be done by the City Engineer; and the fee for such work shall be fixed by him in accordance with current rates for like services, and shall in all cases be paid into the city treasury.

4. He shall be the custodian of and responsible for all maps, plans, profiles, field notes and other records and memoranda belonging to the city pertaining to his office and the work thereof; all of which he shall keep in proper order and condition,

with full index thereof, and shall turn over the same to his successor.

5. All maps, plans, profiles, field notes, estimates and other memoranda of surveys and other professional work made or done by him, or under his direction or control during his term of office, shall be the property of the city. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

Upon the first appointment of a City Engineer by the Board of Public Works, organized under this Charter, the term of the City Engineer then holding office shall thereupon cease and determine, and the powers and duties of the City Engineer shall be as prescribed elsewhere in this charter.—[Amendment, 1905.]

The City Attorney.

Sec. 49. It shall be the duty of the City Attorney to prosecute on behalf of the people all criminal cases arising upon violations of the provisions of this Charter and city ordinances, and to attend to all suits, matters and things in which the city may be legally interested; provided, the Council shall have control of all litigation of the city and may employ other attorneys to take charge of any such litigation, or to assist the City Attorney therein.

He shall give his advice or opinion in writing, whenever required by the Mayor or Council, and shall do and perform all such things touching his office as by the Council may be required of him.

He shall approve, by indorsement in writing, the form of all official or other bonds required by this Charter, or by ordinance of the Council, before the same are submitted to the Council or Mayor for final approval, and no such bonds shall be approved by the Mayor or Council without such approval by the City Attorney.

He shall approve in writing the drafts of all contracts before the same are entered into on behalf of the city.

SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS.

Sec. 50. (1) The Superintendent of Buildings shall be an architect, builder or master mechanic of approved character and experience.

(2) He shall superintend the erection of all buildings erected by or for the city.

(3) He shall have charge of the enforcement of all ordinances pertaining to party walls, and to the erection, construction, alteration, repairs or removal of buildings, and the nature and arrangement of heating, plumbing and ventilating appliances. It shall be the duty of the City Engineer and the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, when called upon by him, to aid him in all inspections.

(4) He shall issue and keep a record of all building permits authorized by ordinance, and collect and deposit the charges for the same with the Treasurer immediately upon receipt; and perform such other duties as shall be prescribed by this Charter or by ordinance. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

Sec. 50-a. Upon the organization of a Board of Public Works under this Charter, it shall be the successor in office of the Superintendent of Buildings, and the term of the Superintendent of Buildings then holding office shall thereupon cease and determine, and the powers and duties imposed upon the Superintendent of Buildings by this Charter shall thereafter be exercised and performed by the Board of Public Works.—[Amendment, 1905.]

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS AND WATER OVERSEER.

Sec. 51. The Superintendent of Water Works and the Water Overseer shall have such powers and perform such duties as the Board of Water Commissioners shall prescribe.—[Amendment, 1903.]

STREET SUPERINTENDENT.

Sec. 52. The Street Superintendent shall have the general care of, and frequently inspect the streets of the city. He shall receive and investigate all complaints as to their condition and

shall have charge of the enforcement of all ordinances pertaining to street obstructions.

He shall frequently inspect all public works pertaining to street improvements while the same are in course of construction, inspect and approve or reject all material used in such construction, whether done by contract or otherwise; and shall at once report to the Council all deviations from contracts and use of improper material and bad workmanship in such works; and shall have the power, pending investigation, to stop all work thereon.

He shall perform such other duties as are herein elsewhere prescribed or imposed by ordinance. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

Sec. 52-a. Upon the organization of a Board of Public Works under this Charter it shall be the successor in office of the Street Superintendent, and the term of the Street Superintendent then holding office shall thereupon cease and determine, and the powers and duties imposed upon the Street Superintendent by this Charter shall thereafter be exercised and performed by the Board of Public Works.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Chief of Police.

Sec. 53. The Chief of Police shall have the supervision and control of the police force of the city, and in that connection he shall be subject only to the orders of the Board of Police Commissioners, and all orders of the Board relating to the direction of the police force shall be given through the Chief of Police, or, in his absence, the officer in charge of the police force.

Sec. 54. The Chief of Police shall be the principal ministerial officer of the corporation, and may, with the approval of the Board of Police Commissioners, select and appoint one or more deputies from the police force, for whose official acts he shall be responsible. He shall, by himself or by deputy, execute and return all writs and processes issued by the police judges or courts. He, or one of his deputies, shall attend on the sittings

of the Police Court and preserve order therein; and his jurisdiction and that of his deputies in the service of process in all criminal cases, and in cases of violation of the city ordinances, shall be co-extensive with the county.

Sec. 55. He shall suppress all riots, disturbances and breaches of the peace, and to that end may call on any person to aid him. He may pursue and arrest, within the limits of the city, any person fleeing from justice from any part of the State, and shall forthwith bring all persons by him arrested before a police judge for trial or examination. He may receive and execute any proper authority for the arrest and detention of criminals fleeing or escaping from other places or States.

Sec. 56. He shall have, in the discharge of his proper duties, like powers and be subject to like responsibilities as a Sheriff in similar cases, and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as may be imposed on or granted to him by this Charter or ordinance.

Health Officer.

Sec. 57. The Health Officer shall have such powers and perform such duties as are herein or may by ordinance be granted to or be imposed upon him.

Annual Reports of Officers.

Sec. 58. It shall be the duty of the Mayor, City Attorney, City Treasurer, City Assessor, City Tax and License Collector, Chief of Police, City Auditor, Health Officer, Water Overseer, City Clerk, City Engineer, Board of Public Works, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, City Sealer of Weights and Measures, City School Superintendent, Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library, and the Board of Park Commissioners, each to present to the Council, at its meeting in the second week in July of each year, a report for the preceding year, ending on the 30th day of June last, which shall show as follows:

(1) The Mayor shall, in addition to his report as Mayor, inform the Council of the condition of the Police Court, the number of arrests made, the offenses charged and how disposed of, the penalties inflicted and amount of fines and from whom collected, and to that end he may require such reports from the Police Judges as he may deem necessary.

(2) The City Attorney shall, in his report, present an abstract of all actions and proceedings in the Supreme and Superior Courts, where the city is an interested party, and shall show what cases have been disposed of during the year, and in what manner, and the condition of those remaining on the calendar.

(3) The City Treasurer shall show, in his report, specifically, the amount of all indebtedness of the city; of money received by him during the year, the date of the receipt thereof, and from whom; the amount paid out, when, and to whom; and the date and number of the demands on which the respective amounts are paid.

(4) The City Tax and License Collector shall report the amount of money received, and on what account.

(5) The City Assessor shall, in his report, show the amount of personal property taxes collected by him, together with the amount of any fees which he may have received on account of such collection in each case.

(6) The City Auditor shall make a proper statement of the transactions of his office, as provided in Section 43.

(7) The Chief of Police shall report the number of arrests made by him, the offenses charged and how disposed of, the number and names of the policemen employed, when appointed and when discharged, and all money and other property received from prisoners and the disposition of the same.

(8) The Health Officer shall show the condition of the health of the city during the year, and the number of cases of diseases which he has treated; and other matters of interest pertaining to his office.

(9) The Water Overseer shall, in his report, show the amount of water rates or charges collected by him; and shall make a detailed statement of the condition of the water systems of the city, so far as the same are entrusted to his charge.

(10) The report of the City Clerk shall show the number of licenses issued, and for what amount.

(11) The report of the City Engineer shall show the character, cost and condition of all public works and improvements in course of construction during the year.

(12) The report of the Board of Public Works shall show the cost of erection, alteration and repair of all buildings during the year; and shall show also the general result of its inspection of buildings during the year. Said Board shall report also the number of building permits issued by it.

(13) The Board of Public Works shall report upon the condition of the streets of the city and the improvements of the same during the year; and shall show what action was taken by it in the enforcement of ordinances pertaining to street obstructions and in regard to deviations from contract in the construction of public works.

(14) The report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department shall show the condition of the Fire Department and its apparatus, giving a detailed statement thereof; also the work of the department during the year.

(15) The report of the City Sealer of Weights and Measures shall show the amount of charges collected by him, and such other matters as are entrusted to him.

(16) The report of the City School Superintendent shall show the number and condition of the public schools, the number of teachers and their salaries and the number of pupils in attendance.

(17) The report of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library shall show the condition of their trust for the year ending the 30th day of June of that year; the various sums of money received from the library fund and from

other sources; for what purpose such money has been expended, and the amount so expended and the balance on hand; the number of books and periodicals on hand; the number added by purchase, gift or otherwise during the year; the number lost or missing; the number of visitors attending; the number of books loaned out, and the general character and kind of such books, with such information and suggestions as it may deem of general interest.

(18) The report of the Park Commissioners shall show the condition of the parks, with the kind, cost and expense of the improvements, including the entire cost and expense of the department for the year ending June 30th last preceding.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Annual Estimates.

Sec. 59. Every officer or board of the city shall make out and file with the City Auditor, on or before the 15th day of July in each year, an estimate of the expenses of his or its office or department for the year commencing on the 1st day of July preceding said report.

Administration of Oaths and Affirmations.

Sec. 60. The Mayor, City Auditor, City Treasurer, and each member of the Council, and of each board and commission provided for in this Charter, shall have the power to administer oaths and affirmations in any investigation or proceeding pending before any of said officers or bodies, or concerning any demand on the City Treasury, and the City Clerk shall have the power to administer all oaths and affirmations required by the Charter.

The City Council and each board and commission provided for in this Charter shall have the power and authority to examine witnesses under oath and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of evidence before such Council, board or commission, as the case may be, by subpoena, to be issued in the name of said City of Los Angeles, and to be attested by the City

Clerk of said city. The City Clerk shall, upon the demand of the President of the City Council, or the presiding officer of any such board or commission, issue such subpoena in the name of said city, and attest the same with the corporate seal thereof, and shall in such subpoena direct and require the attendance of the witness or witnesses sought to be subpoenaed before the City Council or the respective board or commission requiring the issuance of said subpoenas at a time and place to be in said subpoenas specified.

The Chief of Police shall cause all such subpoenas to be served by some member of the Police Department upon the person or persons required to attend before the Council or board or commission in such subpoenas designated.

The City Council shall, from time to time, adopt ordinances providing suitable penalties for disobedience of such subpoenas, and the refusal of witnesses to testify before such Council, board or commission when required so to do.—[Amendment, 1903.]

ARTICLE V.

OFFICIAL BONDS.

Sec. 61. The following named officers of said city shall respectively execute to said municipal corporation, bonds in the following sums, respectively, conditioned for the faithful discharge by them of the duties of their respective offices, to wit:

The bond of the City Auditor is fixed at $10,000.

The bond of the City Tax and License Collector is fixed at $100,000.

The bond of the City Assessor is fixed at $10,000.

The bond of the City Treasurer is fixed at $150,000.

The bond of the City Engineer is fixed at $10,000.

The bond of the City Attorney is fixed at $5,000.

The bond of the Water Overseer is fixed at $2,000.

The bond of the Street Superintendent is fixed at $10,000.

The bond of the Chief of Police is fixed at $5,000.

The bond of the Health Officer is fixed at $2,000.

The bond of the City Clerk is fixed at $5,000.

The bond of the City Sealer of Weights and Measures is fixed at $5,000.

Sec. 62. Each such official bond shall be executed by two or more sureties, who shall each be a resident of the city or county of Los Angeles, and the owner of real estate therein, valued, over and above all incumbrances, upon the last city or county assessment roll, at not less than the aggregate amount for which he becomes responsible upon such official bonds. Each surety shall be approved as hereinafter set forth, and shall bind himself in a sum not less than $1,000.

The aggregate amount of the sums which the sureties on any of such bonds shall respectively bind themselves to pay, shall be at least double the sum in which the principal on such bond binds himself.

No such surety shall be held liable on such bond for a larger sum of money than that which he specifically binds himself to pay, together with such costs of action as may be allowed by the court on the recovery of judgment against him on such bonds.

Section 963 of the Political Code shall apply to the official bonds given under the requirements of this Charter.

Each surety on any bond given under the provisions of this Charter shall justify in double the amount for which he binds himself on such bond.

The bonds of all officers, after approval by the City Attorney, as to form, shall be approved by the Mayor and the Council, and, after such approval, shall be filed with and remain in the keeping of the City Auditor; provided that the bond of the City Auditor shall be filed with and remain in the keeping of the City Clerk.

Sec. 63. The Council may, by ordinance, increase the amount of bond hereby required from any officer, but may not

decrease the same; and may require a bond to be given by any officer not herein required to give a bond, and may fix its amount.

Sec. 64. If the bond of any officer should at any time become insufficient, the Council may notify and require him to give additional security; and, in case of his failure to do so within fifteen days, may declare his office vacant; and it shall be the duty of the Mayor at once to take into his charge all books and papers, money and other public property at the time in the hands or under the control of such officer so notified, and retain the same until such additional security is given, or the election or appointment and qualification of a successor. For the better enforcement of this section, the Mayor is authorized, at the cost of the city, to commence and prosecute, in his own name, all appropriate actions and proceedings.

ARTICLE VI.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 65. The officers of the city shall receive, in full compensation for all services of every kind whatever rendered by them, the following salaries, payable in monthly installments at the end of each calendar month:

The Mayor shall receive $3,600 per annum.

Each Councilman shall receive $1,200 per annum.

The City Clerk shall receive $2,400 per annum.

The City Auditor shall receive $3,000 per annum.

The City Assessor shall receive $2,400 per annum.

The City Treasurer shall receive $2,400 per annum.

The City Engineer shall receive $5,000 per annum.

The City Attorney shall receive $3,000 per annum.

The Chief of Police shall receive $3,000 per annum.

The Health Officer shall receive $3,600 per annum.

The City Tax and License Collector shall receive $3,000 per annum.

Each member of the Board of Public Works shall receive $3,600 per annum.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 66. The City Council shall, by ordinance, fix the salary of all other officers herein, or by ordinance hereafter created, whose salaries are not hereby fixed, or otherwise provided for.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 67. No officer of the city shall be compensated by fees or commissions, but only by a fixed salary, payable monthly; and such salary shall not be increased or diminished during his term of office or after his election or appointment and before the commencement of the term.

Sec. 68. No city officer shall retain any fee, recompense or compensation received by him for the discharge of any duty of his office from any person other than the city, but shall immediately pay over to the Treasurer of the city all such sums of money so received.

ARTICLE VII.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Sec. 69. The government of the School Department of the city shall be vested in a Board of Education, to consist of seven members, to be elected as herein provided, to be called Members of the Board of Education, who shall serve without salary; provided, that the members of the present Board of Education shall hold and exercise their offices, with the powers and duties prescribed by the Charter, until the election and qualification of the members of the first Board of Education elected from the city at large.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 70. The Board of Education shall elect one of its number President, and shall hold regular meeting at least once in each month, and special meetings at such times as shall be determined by rule of said board. A majority of all the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a

smaller number may adjourn from time to time. The board may determine the rules of its proceedings. Its sessions shall be public, and its records shall be open to public inspection. The board shall fill all vacancies occurring in that body until the next general municipal election.

Sec. 71. The Board of Education succeeds to all the property rights and to the obligations of the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles heretofore existing, and it shall have sole power:

(1) To establish and maintain public schools, including high schools, to change, consolidate and discontinue the same, and to establish school districts, and to fix and alter the boundaries thereof.

(2) To appoint or employ and dismiss the City School Superintendent, a Deputy Superintendent, a Clerk and such teachers, janitors, school census marshals, mechanics, laborers and other employees as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties of the board; to fix, alter and allow their salaries or wages, and to withhold, for good and sufficient cause, the whole or any part of the salary or wages of any person or persons employed as aforesaid.

(3) To make, establish and enforce all necessary and proper rules and regulations for the government of public schools, the teachers thereof, pupils therein, and for carrying into effect the laws relating to education; also to establish and regulate the grade of schools, and determine what text-books, course of study and mode of instruction shall be used in said schools.

(4) To provide for the School Department fuel and lights, water, blanks, blank books, printing and stationery; and to incur such other incidental expenses as may be deemed necessary by said board.

(5) To build, alter, repair, rent and provide school houses, and to furnish them with proper school furniture, apparatus and appliances, and to insure against fire any and all such school property.

(6) To take and hold in fee, or otherwise, in trust for the city, any and all real estate and personal property that may have been acquired, or may hereafter be acquired, for the use and benefit of the public schools of the city; and to sell or exchange and to lease any of such property; provided that the proceeds of any such sale or exchange shall be exclusively applied to the purchase of other lots, or the erection of school houses.

(7) To grade, fence and improve all school lots, and in front thereof to grade, sewer or pave and repair the streets, and to construct and repair sidewalks.

(8) To sue for any and all property belonging to or claimed by the said Board of Education, and to prosecute and defend all actions at law or in equity necessary to recover and maintain the full enjoyment and possession of said property, and to require the services of the City Attorney, free of charge, in all such cases.

(9) To determine annually the amount of money required for the support of the public schools, and for carrying into effect all the provisions of law in reference thereto; and, in pursuance of this provision, the board shall, on or before the 15th day of July of each year, submit, in writing, to the City Council a careful estimate of the whole amount of money to be received from the State and county, and the amount required from the city, for the above purposes, and the City Council shall, in each year, fix the percentage of taxes to be levied and collected for school purposes; provided that the amount to be thus levied for school purposes shall not exceed twenty cents on each one hundred dollars' valuation upon the assessment roll, and that when collected it shall be paid into the school fund.

(10) To establish regulations for the just and equitable disbursement of all moneys belonging to the school fund.

(11) To examine and approve, in whole or in part, in the manner provided in Section 212, every demand payable out of the school fund, or to reject any such demand for good cause.

(12) To discharge all legal incumbrances now existing, or which may hereafter exist, upon any school property.

(13) To prohibit any child under six years of age from attending the public schools.

(14) In its discretion to establish kindergarten schools for the instruction of children between the ages of five and six years, and industrial and manual training schools or departments.

(15) To receive and manage property or money acquired by bequest or donation in trust for the benefit of any school, educational purpose, or school property.

(16) And generally to do and perform such other acts as may be necessary and proper to carry into force and effect the powers conferred on said board, and to increase the efficiency of the public schools in said city.

Sec. 72. All contracts for building shall be given to lowest bidder thereof, offering adequate security, to be determined by the board after due public notice, published for not less than ten days in the official newspaper of the city. It shall be the duty of the board to furnish all necessary supplies for the public schools. All supplies, books, stationery, fuel, printing, goods, material, merchandise, repairing and every other article and thing supplied to or done for the public schools, or any of them, when the expenditure to be incurred on account of such matter may exceed five hundred dollars, shall be done or furnished by contract let to the lowest bidder after like public advertisement; provided, that the Board of Education may reject any and all bids under this section.

Sec. 73. Any member of the Board of Education, officer or other person officially connected with the School Department, or drawing a salary from the Board of Education, who, while connected or drawing such salary, upon investigation by the Board of Education, shall be found to be interested, either directly or indirectly, in, or to have gained any advantage or benefit from any contract, payment under which have been or are to be made, in whole or in part, from moneys derived from the school fund, or raised by taxation or otherwise for the support of the public

schools, shall forfeit his office, and the Board of Education shall thereupon declare such office vacant.

Sec. 74. The Board of Education shall, before the 30th day of June of each year, fix a schedule of salaries for teachers and employees of the School Department, to take effect on the 1st day of July following, and to remain in force during one year.

School Superintendent.

Sec. 75. The Superintendent, with the approval of the Board of Education, may, for good and sufficient cause, provisionally suspend any teacher employed in the public schools of the city, until the next meeting of the Board of Education. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to report to the Board of Education annually, and at such other times as it may require, all matters pertaining to the expenditures, income and condition and progress of the public schools of said city during the preceding year, with such recommendations as he may deem proper; to visit each school at least once a month; to observe and cause to be observed, such general rules for the regulation, government and instruction of the schools as may be established by the board; to recommend to the board the dismissal of teachers, stating the reason therefor; to attend all sessions of the board, and inform it at each session of the condition of the public schools, school houses, school fund, and other matters connected therewith, and recommend such measures as he may deem necessary for the advancement of education in the city, and to acquaint himself with all the laws, rules and regulations governing the public schools in said city, and the judicial decisions thereon, and give advice connected with public schools, gratuitously, to officers, teachers, pupils and their parents and guardians.

School Fund.

Sec. 76. The school fund shall consist of all moneys received from the State School Fund and County School Fund, and of all moneys arising from taxes which shall be levied annually

by the City Council of the city for school purposes; of all moneys arising from the sale, rent or exchange of any of the school property, and of such other moneys as may, from any source whatever, be paid into any school fund. The school fund shall be separate and distinct from all other moneys, and shall only be used for school purposes under the provisions of this Charter. If, at the end of any fiscal year, any surplus remains in the school fund, such surplus money shall be carried forward to the school fund for the next fiscal year, and shall not be, for any purpose whatever diverted or withdrawn from said fund, except under the provisions of this charter.

Sec. 77. The said school fund shall be used and applied by said Board of Education for the following purposes, to wit:

(1) For the payment of the salaries or wages of the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, clerk, teachers, janitors, school census marshals, and other persons who may be employed by said board.

(2) For the erection, alteration, repairs, rent and furnishing of school houses.

(3) For the purchase money or rent of any real or personal property purchased or leased by said board.

(4) For the insurance of all school property.

(5) For the discharge of all legal incumbrances on any school property.

(6) For lighting the school rooms and the offices and rooms of the Superintendent and Board of Education.

(7) For supplying the schools with fuel, water, apparatus, blanks, blank books and necessary school appliances, together with books for indigent children.

(8) For supplying books, printing and stationery for the use of the Superintendent and Board of Education, and for the incidental expenses of the Department.

(9) For grading and improving all school lots, and for

grading, sewering, planking or paving and repairing streets, and constructing and repairing sidewalks in front thereof.

Sec. 78. All demands authorized by this article shall be paid by the City Treasurer from the school fund; provided, that the said board shall not have power to contract any debts or liabilities, in any form whatsoever, against the said city, in contravention of this article, or exceeding in any year the income and revenue provided for the school fund for such year; but this provision shall not be construed to prevent the incurring of indebtedness for permanent improvements to be liquidated by the proceeds of municipal bonds issued by the City of Los Angeles in accordance with the general laws of the State for the purpose of defraying the cost of such permanent improvements.

Sec. 79. It shall be the duty of the Auditor of the County of Los Angeles, upon the first Monday in each month, and at such other times as he may deem proper, to certify in duplicate to the Superintendent of Schools of such county the amount of school moneys at that time in the county treasury, and the amount received during the previous month. The County Superintendent shall, upon the receipt of such certificates, indorse upon one of them the amount of such moneys to which the public schools of the city are entitled. The certificate so indorsed shall be at once returned to said Auditor, who shall direct upon the same the County Treasurer to pay the sum designated upon such certificate to the Treasurer of the City for the use of the school fund thereof.

Sec. 80. The Treasurer of said county shall thereupon pay to the Treasurer of said city the sum directed by the Auditor as above provided; and when said moneys are placed in the city school fund they shall be used in precisely the same manner as moneys raised by city school taxes in the city; provided that the entire revenue derived by the city from the State school fund and State school tax fund shall be applied by said Board of Education exclusively to the support of primary and grammar schools.

ARTICLE VIII.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

Sec. 81. The public library and reading room, known as the "Los Angeles Public Library," is hereby continued in existence, and shall be free of access to all citizens of said city and the general public, subject to such rules and regulations for the government and management thereof as may at any time be adopted by the Board of Directors of said library, hereinafter provided.

Sec. 82. There shall be levied and collected annually, on all the taxable propery in the city, as in other cases, a tax sufficient to maintain such library, not less than four cents on each one hundred dollars of the value of all real and personal property of the said city, as assessed for city purposes, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining said library, and purchasing or leasing such real and personal property, books, papers, publications, furniture, and fixtures, and erecting such buildings as may be necessary therefor. No indebtedness exceeding the amount of the annual levy for this purpose shall be incurred in any one year; provided, this limitation shall not be construed to prevent the incurring of indebtedness for permanent improvements, to be liquidated by the proceeds of municipal bonds issued by the City of Los Angeles, in accordance with the provisions of this Charter and of the general laws of the State, for the purpose of defraying the cost of such improvements.—[Amendment, 1903.]

DIRECTORS.

Sec. 83. The Mayor shall, immediately after his qualification under this charter, appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, a board of five directors of said library, who shall serve without compensation and be known as "The Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library." They shall be chosen from the citizens at large, without regard to sex or political opinions, but with reference to their fitness for said office, and no member of the City Council shall be a member of said board.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 84. Said directors shall hold office for four years, and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Those first appointed shall so classify themselves by lot that one shall go out of office at the end of one year, one at the end of two years, one at the end of three years, and two at the end of four years, and if any vacancy occurs the Mayor shall, subject to confirmation by the Council, fill the same by appointment for the unexpired term. —[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 85. Said directors shall, immediately after their appointment, meet and organize by the election of a president from among their number, and they may appoint the Librarian or any employee of the Library Department to act as clerk of the board. Such clerk shall keep a record and full minutes in writing of all their proceedings, and may certify to such proceedings or any portion thereof under his or her hand, to be verified by seal, if a seal be adopted and provided by the board for that purpose, and shall serve without extra compensation.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Powers of the Board.

Sec. 86. Such board, by a majority of all the members, to be recorded in the minutes with the ayes and noes at length, shall have power to make and enforce all such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary or expedient for its own guidance, and for the administration, government and protection of such library, reading room and property; to determine the number of officers and assistants to be appointed for such library and reading room, and to determine and define their duties; to fix the salaries and wages of all such employees; to appoint a Librarian and necessary assistant, and such other employees as may be necessary, and, for good cause, to remove them; to control and order the expenditure of all moneys at any time in the library fund, and order the drawing and payment of all moneys out of said fund for such expenditures or liabilities as are herein authorized, subject to the general provisions for the payment of demands on the City Treasurer, contained in Article XXI; to purchase or lease all

necessary real property whereon to construct and thereon to construct a library building or buildings, or to lease appropriate rooms, or a building or buildings, for such library, and to have the general supervision, care and custody of the grounds, rooms or buildings constructed, leased or set apart for that purpose, and generally to do all that may be necessary to carry out the spirit and intent of this Charter in establishing a public library and reading room; provided that all moneys received for such library shall be deposited in the treasury of the city, to the credit of the library fund, and shall be kept separate and apart from other moneys of the city, and shall be drawn from said fund upon demands authenticated by the signatures of the President and Clerk of the board. All libraries and reading rooms heretofore established by said city, and all property, real and personal, thereto belonging, shall be turned over to the charge, custody and administration of the Board of Directors, with like powers and liabilities as if such library had been established under this Charter.

Who May Use the Library.

Sec. 87. The library and reading room shall be forever free to the use of the inhabitants of the city, and persons sojourning therein, always subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as the Board of Directors may adopt, and said board may exclude from the use of said library and reading room any and all persons who shall wilfully violate such rules, and said board may extend the privileges and use of such library and reading room to persons residing outside the city upon such terms and conditions as said board may, from time to time, by its regulations prescribe.

Donations and Conveyances.

Sec. 88. Any person desiring to make donations of money, securities or other personal property or real estate, shall have

the right to vest the title to such money, personal property or real estate so donated in "The Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library," hereby created, to be owned, held and controlled by such board when accepted, according to the terms of the deed, gift, devise or bequest of such property; and, as to such property, the board shall be held and considered to be a special trustee thereof for the city. The title of all real property that may be purchased shall likewise be taken by said board in its name as such special trustee; and the City of Los Angeles may, in its discretion, by ordinance, set apart and order to be conveyed by said board, as special trustee, any part of the real property of the city not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 89. The Board of Directors shall make the annual report and estimate hereinafter provided.

Sec. 90. The City Council shall have power to pass ordinances imposing suitable penalties for the punishment of persons committing injury upon such library, or the grounds or property thereof, and for injury to or failure to return any book belonging to such library.

ARTICLE IX.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sec. 91. The Mayor, who shall be ex-officio a member and President of the board, and four citizens, to be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the Council, shall constitute the Board of Police Commissioners of the city. The appointive members of the board shall serve without compensation, and not more than two of them shall be members of the same political party. The appointive members of the board shall hold office for two years, and until their successors are appointed and qualified; provided, however, that the first members of the board appointed hereunder shall hold office until the first

Monday in January, 1905, and until their successors are appointed and qualified.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 92. The Police Commissioners shall meet at least once a week.

Sec. 93. The Police Department shall consists of the Chief of Police and as many subordinate officers and such policemen and detective officers and employees as the Council shall, by ordinance, determine. All appointments and removals in the Police Department shall be made by the Board of Police Commissioners, subject to such civil service regulations as are now or may hereafter be in force.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 94. The salaries of members and employees of the Police Department not herein elsewhere provided for shall be fixed by the Council by ordinance.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 95. The Police Commissioners shall prescribe the rules and regulations for the government of the police force, and fix and enforce the penalties for their violation.

Sec. 95-a. The Board of Police Commissioners shall have power to grant permits, under and in conformity to the ordinances of said city, authorizing the City Clerk to issue licenses to persons desiring to engage in the sale of liquors, and to revoke any such permit when it shall appear to the board that the business of the person to whom such permit was given is conducted in an illegal, disorderly, or improper manner. Without such permit no person shall engage in the business of selling liquor.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 96. The Board of Police Commissioners, the Chief of Police, and other officers and employees shall have such further powers and be subject to such further duties as may be granted or imposed by ordinance.

ARTICLE X.

POLICE COURTS.

Sec. 97. The judicial power of the city shall be vested in a Police Court.

Sec. 98. Each of the Police Judges may hold such court, and there may be as many sessions of the Police Court held at one time as there are Police Judges.

Sec. 99. The Police Judges shall have the power of examining magistrates and may commit offenders for trial in the proper court.

Sec. 100. The Police Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of the criminal proceedings for a violation of any city ordinance, and of all civil actions and proceedings arising out of a violation of such ordinances, and for the collection of any license required by any ordinance, except such actions and proceedings as fall within the jurisdiction of other courts under the provisions of the Constitution of this State.

Sec. 101. The Police Court shall also have exclusive jurisdiction of the following public offenses committed within the city (except when prosecuted by indictment or information): 1, petty larceny; 2, assault and battery; 3, breaches of the peace, riot, committing wilful injury to property, and all misdemeanors punishable by fine or by imprisonment in the county jail, or by both; 4, proceedings respecting vagrants, lewd or disorderly persons.

Sec. 102. The Clerks of said Court shall remain at their respective courtrooms during business hours and for such reasonable time thereafter as may be necessary for the discharge of their duties.

Sec. 103. All fines, penalties and forfeitures collected by said Police Court shall be the property of the city, and shall be immediately deposited with the City Treasurer for the use of said city.

Sec. 104. The city shall furnish the necessary dockets, and all blanks and other books and papers and stationery necessary

in the transaction of the business of the said Police Court. A complete record of all cases shall be entered in the docket of said court. Separate dockets shall be kept for the civil and criminal business.

Sec. 105. The said court shall have a seal, which shall be furnished by the city.

Sec. 106. The Police Court shall always be open for the transaction of business, except on Sundays and other legal holidays.

ARTICLE XI.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Sec. 107. The Mayor, who shall be ex-officio a member and President of the board, and four citizens to be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the Council, shall constitute the Board of Fire Commissioners of the city. The appointive members of the board shall serve without compensation, and not more than two of them shall be members of the same political party. The appointive members of the board shall hold office for two years, and until their successors are appointed and qualified; provided, however, that the first members of the board appointed hereunder shall hold office until the first Monday in January, 1905, and until their successors are appointed and qualified.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 108. The Fire Commissioners shall meet at least once a week.

Sec. 109. The Fire Department shall consist of a Chief Engineer and Assistant Chief Engineer, a secretary of the department, and as many engineers of the first class, engineers of the second class, relief engineers, captains of the first class, captains of the second class, lieutenants, drivers of the first class, drivers of the second class, drivers of the third class, tillermen, hosemen, laddermen, drivers of supply wagons, and other employees as the

Council may, by ordinance, from time to time, determine to be necessary. All appointments and removals in the department shall be made by the Board of Fire Commissioners, subject to such civil service regulations as are now or may hereafter be in force.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 110. The salaries of all officers and employees of the Fire Department, not herein elsewhere provided for, shall be fixed by the Council, by ordinance.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 111. The Board of Fire Commissioners shall prescribe the rules and regulations for the government of the department, and fix and enforce the penalties for their violation.

Sec. 112. The Board of Fire Commissioners and the Chief Engineer, and other officers and employees, shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be granted or imposed by ordinance.

ARTICLE XII.

PARK DEPARTMENT.

Sec. 113. All lands and real property located in the City of Los Angeles which have been heretofore, or which may be hereafter, set apart or dedicated for the use of the public as a public park or parks, shall forever remain to the use of the public as such park or parks, inviolate, and no part of said lands or real property shall ever be used or occupied for any other purpose.

Sec. 114. The Mayor, who shall be ex-officio member and President of the board, and four citizens to be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the Council, shall constitute the Board of Park Commissioners of the city. The appointive members of the board shall serve without compensation, and not more than two of them shall be members of the same political party. The appointive members of the board shall hold office for two years, and until their successors are appointed and qualified; provided, however, that the first members

of the board appointed hereunder shall hold office until the first Monday in January, 1905, and until their successors are appointed and qualified.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 115. The Park Commissioners shall meet at least once a month.

Sec. 116. The Park Department shall consist of as many officers and employees as the Council may, by ordinance, from time to time determine to be necessary. All appointments and removals in the department shall be made by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Sec. 117. The salary of all officers and employees of the Park Department shall be fixed by ordinance.

Sec. 118. The Board of Park Commissioners shall prescribe the rules and regulations for the government of the department, and fix and enforce the penalties for their violation.

Sec. 119. The Board of Park Commissioners shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be granted or imposed by ordinance.

ARTICLE XIII.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Sec. 120. There is hereby established in and for the City of Los Angeles a department to be known as the Board of Health, to consist of five members, viz.:

The Mayor, who shall be ex-officio a member and President of the board, and four citizens, to be appointed without regard to their political opinions, by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the Council.

Three of said citizens shall be physicians in good standing and graduates of some reputable medical college.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 121. The appointed members of the board shall hold office for two years, and until their successors are elected and

qualified, and shall serve without compensation. All vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term only. Any appointed member failing to qualify within ten days after his appointment shall be deemed to have declined the office, and a new appointment shall be made. Three members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Health Office.

Sec. 122. The Board of Health shall be provided by the City Council with a suitable office, in which it shall hold its official meetings once a month, or when requested by three members of the board.

Sec. 123. The Board of Health shall have such general supervision as may be provided by ordinance of all matters appertaining to the sanitary condition of the city, including jails, hospitals and all public health institutions.

Health Officer.

Sec. 124. The board shall appoint and, for good cause, may remove a Health Officer, who shall also act as City Physician, and whose duties as such shall be defined by ordinance. He shall be a graduate of a reputable medical college, and shall have practiced medicine at least seven years, and shall have been a citizen and resident for two years in this city, and have his license to practice medicine recorded with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County, in accordance with the laws of the State of California regulating the practice of medicine. He must reside within the city limits and devote his entire time to the duties of his office. The board shall appoint all assistants to said Health Officer, and all employees in the Health Department, the number of such assistants and employees and their compensation to be fixed from time to time by ordinance.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 125. The Health Officer shall be the executive officer of the board, and he shall see that all ordinances in respect to the public health and the rules and regulations of the Board of

Health are enforced; and shall receive all complaints of the violations of such ordinances, rules and regulations, and investigate the same and act thereon. He shall make to the board an annual report of the affairs of his office, including mortuary and other statistics, with such general observations as in his judgment might benefit the sanitary condition of the city. He shall in person visit once in each quarter all the public institutions in the city under the charge of the Health Department, and twice in each year he shall visit every public school in said city; during such visit he shall examine the buildings in regard to the manner in which they are lighted, ventilated, heated, and particularly in regard to their sanitary condition. At the meeting of the board in the mouths of January, April, July and October, he shall report to the board the result of his examinations. He shall also act as City Physician, whose duties shall be defined by ordinance.

Quarantine.

Sec. 126. Whenever it shall be certified to the Board of Health by the Health Officer that any building or part thereof is unfit for human habitation by reason of its being so infected with disease, or from other causes, as to be likely to cause sickness among its occupants, said board may issue an order, and cause the same to be affixed conspicuously on the building or in front thereof and to be personally served upon the owner, agent or lessee, if the same can be found, requiring all persons therein to vacate such building for the reasons aforesaid, to be stated therein. Such building, or part thereof, shall within ten days thereafter be vacated or within such shorter time, not less than twenty-four hours, as in said notice may be specified; but said board, if it should become satisfied that the danger from the building or parts thereof has ceased to exist, may revoke said order, and it shall thenceforth become inoperative.

Sec. 127. Every physician in the city shall report to the Health Officer in writing every patient he shall have sick of typhus, ship or yellow fever, Asiatic cholera, leprosy, smallpox,

diphtheria, or scarlet fever, and every death from such disease immediately after it shall have occurred. Also every householder in said city shall forthwith report in writing, or otherwise, to the Health Officer the name of every inmate of his or her house whom he or she shall have reason to believe is sick of typhus, ship or yellow fever, leprosy, cholera or smallpox, and any deaths occurring at his or her house from such disease.

Infectious Diseases.

Sec. 128. The Health Officer shall report to the Superintendent of the Public Schools the names and residences of every person sick of typhus, ship or yellow fever, Asiatic cholera, smallpox, leprosy, diphtheria or scarlet fever, he may deem dangerous to the public health; and it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Schools when so notified of the residence of any person sick of any of the diseases enumerated to refuse admittance to the public schools of any member of a family, one or more of whose inmates are sick of any of the aforesaid diseases; provided that the parties excluded shall be readmitted upon presenting a certificate from the Health Officer that there is no longer any danger from contagion.

Sec. 129. No person shall drive or use any vehicle, or suffer or permit any vehicle under his or her charge or control, to be driven or used for the conveyance, transportation or removal of any person infected with the smallpox, or the body of any person who has died of smallpox, without the written consent of the Health Officer; also no person shall use or drive, or suffer or permit any vehicle authorized by the written consent of the Health Officer, to convey, transport or remove persons infected with the smallpox, or the bodies of persons who may die of the smallpox, to be used or driven for the conveyance, transportation or removal of persons uninfected with smallpox, without the written consent of the Health Officer.

Sec. 130. Whenever a case of smallpox, Asiatic cholera or yellow fever is reported to the Health Officer, he shall imme-

diately visit the premises where the person is, and the said Health Officer, upon personal inspection, shall, in cases of smallpox, Asiatic cholera or yellow fever, immediately cause to be erected a yellow, or quarantine flag in a conspicuous place on said premises, or put upon the doorway of houses infected with such diseases a placard setting forth the fact, the same to remain during the continuance of the disease on said premises.

Sec. 131. The Board of Health may appoint and remove at pleasure a physician and nurses for the hospital or hospitals of the city when, in their judgment, it may be necessary. The salary for the said officers shall be provided for in the same manner as for other officers of the board.

Smallpox Hospital.

Sec. 132. No person shall remove a smallpox patient from any house or place within the limits of the city to any house or place without the permission of the Health Officer.

The said officer, with the approval of the Board of Health, may cause to be removed to the hospital of the city provided for that purpose any and all persons affected with smallpox from within such houses as cannot be properly quarantined.

The Board of Health, whenever and at such times as by them it shall be deemed necessary, may, by proclamation, require all railroad cars or other public conveyances bound for this city, before the same shall land or stop at any depot or landing or stopping place therein, to stop or touch at any or either of the sites, places or boundaries so selected and established for quarantine purposes, and leave all such immigrants, travelers or persons, and all such sick, diseased or unclean persons, with their stores and baggage, as in the opinion of the officers stationed at such quarantine sites, places or boundaries shall be deemed proper on account of the existing or general report of cholera, smallpox, or any contagious disease or diseases apprehended to endanger the health of the city.

Sec. 133. The said board shall make such rules and regu-

lations for the government of the quarantine or health of the city as from time to time it shall deem necessary, and the physicians or health officers in charge of any quarantine station or place shall have power to make and enforce such regulations as may be necessary for the proper management and conducting thereof; and it shall be the duty of all persons in quarantine, and all agents, officers, policemen or others employed by the city about said quarantine stations or places, to carry out and obey the same.

Sec. 134. The Board of Health shall cause to be kept a record of all births, deaths, interments and cremations occurring in said city; such record must be kept in the Health Office, and shall be open for the inspection of any person during office hours. All physicians and midwives in said city shall report to the Health Officer, on or before the 5th of each month, all births occurring in his or her practice during the previous month. Any physician or midwife failing to make such report shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 135. No person shall deposit in any cemetery, cremate or inter in said city a human body without first having obtained and filed at the Health Office a certificate signed by a licensed physician or Coroner, setting forth as near as possible the name, age, sex, color, place of birth, occupation, date, locality and cause of death of the deceased, and obtain from the Health Officer a burial permit. Physicians, when deaths occur in their practice, must give the certificate herein mentioned, unless the physician believes such death to be a proper case for investigation by the Coroner, nor shall any human body be removed or disinterred without the permit of the Board of Health or Health Officer or by order of the Coroner.

Sec. 136. Superintendent of cemeteries within the boundaries of the city must return to the Health Officer on each Monday the names of all persons interred, cremated or deposited within their respective cemeteries for the preceding week.

Sec. 137. It shall be unlawful to disinter or exhume from a

grave, vault or other burial place within the limits of said city the body or remains of any deceased person, unless a permit for so doing shall have been first obtained from the Health Officer. Nor shall any body or remains disinterred, exhumed or taken from the grave, vault or other place of burial or deposit be transported in or through the streets or highways of said city unless the person or persons transporting such bodies or remains shall first obtain from the Health Officer a permit in writing therefor. When an applicant for a permit to disinter a body shall desire to remove said body beyond the limits of said city, and shall so state on making application, the permit, if the same be issued, shall include the right to disinter and remove. Said permit shall accompany the body or remains.

Sec. 138. The permits in the last section may be granted, in the discretion of the Board of Health, under such general restrictions and conditions as the board may prescribe. The Health Officer shall prepare a book of blank permits, in proper form and consecutively numbered, containing stubs on which, as well as in the permit, shall be entered a record of the transaction, giving the name, age, sex, nativity, place of burial and destination of remains to be transported or removed; and upon granting such permit for the removal of a body beyond the State limits he shall require to be paid to him the sum of ten dollars therefor, to be paid into the treasury for the use and benefit of the general fund of said city.

Sec. 139. Any person or persons who shall disinter, exhume, transport or remove, or cause to be disinterred, exhumed, transported or removed from a grave, vault or other receptacle or burial place, the remains of a deceased person, without a permit therefor from such Health Officer, or who shall transport or cause to be transported on or through the streets or highways of said city the body or remains of a deceased person, which has been exhumed or disinterred without such permit, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 140. Nothing in this Charter contained shall be taken

to apply to the removal of the remains of a deceased person from one place of interment to another place within the same cemetery.

Sec. 141. No person shall receive for transportation or shall transport upon any boat, vessel or railroad car, or public or private conveyance, the body of any person who has died within the limits of said city, unless said body is accompanied by a permit for such transportation from the Health Officer. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 142. Any member of the Board of Health or the Health Officer may administer oaths on business connected with the Health Department.

Articles XIV, XV, XVI and XVII of the Charter are hereby repealed; provided, however, that such repeal shall not affect any proceedings that may be pending under any of said articles at the time this amendment goes into effect.—[Amendment, 1903.]

ARTICLE XIV.

[Amendment, 1905.]

Department of Public Works.

Sec. 143. There is hereby created a department of said city, to be known as the "Department of Public Works," which shall be under the management and control of a board of three commissioners, to be known as "The Board of Public Works."

(a) Said commissioners shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the council. All such appointments shall be so made that not more than two members of the board shall, at any one time, belong to the same political party. Each of said commissioners shall receive an annual salary of $3600, payable in equal monthly installments, and shall give

a bond to the city in the sum of $10,000, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office.

(b) The term of office of members of the Board of Public Works shall be four years. The term of office of the three members first appointed hereunder shall commence on the first Monday in January, 1906, and said three members shall so classify themselves by lot that one shall go out of office at the end of two years, one at the end of three years, and one at the end of four years thereafter. If any vacancy occurs, the mayor shall fill the same by appointment for the unexpired term.

(c) The commissioners shall organize by electing one of their members president, who shall hold his office for one year, and until his successor is elected, unless his membership on the board sooner expires.

(d) The board shall maintain an office and prescribe office hours for the convenience of the public. It shall hold regular stated meetings at least once in each week. The commissioners shall devote all their time during official business hours to the duties of their office.

(e) The board shall appoint a secretary, not a member of the board, who shall receive an annual salary of $2,400, payable in equal monthly installments. He shall keep a record of all its transactions, specifying therein the names of the commissioners present at all the meetings, and giving the ayes and noes upon all votes. He shall post and publish all orders, resolutions and notices, which the board shall order to be posted or published, and shall perform such other duties as are herein or may be, by order of the board, imposed upon him.—[Amendment, 1907.]

(f) The three members of the Board of Public Works and the secretary thereof shall be officers of the municipality in addition to the other officers thereof provided for herein.

(g) The Board of Public Works shall appoint an inspector of public works, who shall perform such duties as the board may prescribe. The person holding the office of street superintendent

at the time of the first organization of the board shall be entitled to take and hold, and shall be appointed by said board to the office of inspector of public works for a term ending on the first Monday in January, 1907. The person so appointed shall during such term receive a salary at the rate of $3000 per annum, payable in equal monthly installments. The successors in office of the inspector of public works first appointed as herein provided, shall be appointed from the members of the Board of Public Works, and shall serve without extra compensation. On the first Monday in January, 1907, or upon the prior occurrence of a vacancy in the office of inspector of public works, the board shall appoint one of their number, other than the president, inspector of public works, who shall hold such office for one year, and until his successor is appointed, unless his membership on the board sooner expires.

(h) The Board of Public Works shall appoint and employ a civil engineer of not less than five years' professional experience, who shall be designated as the City Engineer. He shall receive a salary of $5,000 per annum, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the board. He shall perform such civil engineering and surveying necessary in the prosecution of public work done under the direction or supervision of the board as said board may require. He shall make such certificates and reports upon the progress of such work, and shall make such surveys, inspections, and estimates, and perform such other surveying or engineering work, as may be required by said Board or by the City Council. He shall have all the powers and perform all the duties that are now or may hereafter be conferred or imposed by law, or by ordinance, upon the City Engineer. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office, and shall receive no compensation in addition to his salary.—[Amendment, 1907.]

(i) The Board of Public Works shall, subject to such civil service regulations as are now or may hereafter be in force, appoint and employ and for good cause remove, such superintendents, inspectors, clerks and employees as the City Council shall, by

ordinance, from time to time prescribe, and the board shall establish all necessary rules and regulations for the exercise of the powers conferred in this article, for the government of the department of public works, and for the regulation and conduct of its officers and employees, and may require of any or all of such officers and employees, except laborers, adequate bonds for the faithful performance of their respective duties.

Sec. 144. The board shall, from and after the first organization thereof, be the successor in office of the street superintendent and of the superintendent of buildings, and shall have all the powers and perform all the duties that are now or may hereafter be conferred or imposed by law upon said officials, respectively, and the board shall perform such other duties as are herein or may be, by ordinance, imposed upon it.

Sec. 145. (a) The Board of Public Works shall have and exercise all the powers and duties that are now or may hereafter be conferred or imposed by law upon the City Council relating to:

1. The advertising for, and inviting of proposals or bids for doing any work ordered by the City Council to be done in or upon any streets, avenues, lanes, alleys, courts or places, or in the construction of any sewer or drain, ordered by the City Council in or over the right of way granted or acquired for such purpose;

2. The examining, considering, and declaring of such proposals or bids;

3. The awarding, letting and re-letting of contracts for doing any of said work so ordered, the giving notice of such award, the rejection of proposals or bids for doing such work. and the granting of extensions of time for the completion thereof by the contractor therefor.

4. The approval and the fixing of the amount of bonds required to be given by contractors prior to, or at the time of executing contracts for such work, and the fixing of the time within which such work shall be commenced and completed.

The board shall also have and exercise all of the powers and

duties that are now or may hereafter be conferred or imposed by law upon the mayor relating to the approval of the award of contracts for any of the work mentioned in this section.

The Board of Public Works shall also have and exercise all of the powers and duties that are now or may hereafter be conferred or imposed by law upon any commission provided for by law to assess the benefits, damages and costs incident to a proposed change of grade of any public street, alley, lane or court.

(b) The president of the Board of Public Works shall have and exercise all of the powers and duties that are now or may hereafter be conferred or imposed by law upon the Mayor relating to the approval and fixing of the amount of bonds required to be given by contractors prior to, or at the time of executing contracts for such work.

(c) The secretary of the Board of Public Works shall have and exercise all the powers and duties that are now or may be hereafter conferred or imposed by law upon the City Clerk or the clerk of the City Council relating to:

1. The receipt, care and custody of proposals or bids for doing any of the work mentioned in this section.

2. The care and custody of all checks and bonds accompanying such proposals or bids.

Sec. 146. The Board of Public Works shall have charge, superintendence and control, under such ordinances as may from time to time be adopted by the City Council:

1. Of all public ways, streets, avenues, boulevards, lanes, alleys, places and courts, now open or which may hereafter be opened, in the City of Los Angeles; of the manner of their use and occupation; of all work and improvements done in, on, over or under the same, and of all excavations made in or under the same.

2. Of the design, construction, maintenance and use of all sewers, drains and storm drains of the city, and of all connections therewith.

3. Of the cleaning, sprinkling, maintenance, repair, and

lighting of all public ways, streets, avenues, boulevards, lanes, alleys, places and courts; the lighting of all public parks, and the lighting, heating and ventilating of all public buildings belonging to the city.

4. Of the design, construction, alteration, repair, maintenance and care of all public works and improvements, and of all public buildings belonging to the city.

5. Of the disposal of garbage, sewage and street refuse.

6. Of all public utilities that are now or may hereafter be owned, controlled or operated by the city, other than waterworks.

Sec. 146¼. The Board of Public Works shall have charge, superintendence and control of the design, construction and establishment of an aqueduct system extending from a point in the Owens River Valley, in the State of California, to a point in the San Fernando Valley, in the County of Los Angeles, in the vicinity of the City of Los Angeles, for the purpose of providing said city with a water supply from the watershed of said Owens River; provided, that, upon the completion of said aqueduct system, the same shall thereafter be managed, controlled and maintained by the Board of Water Commissioners, as in the case of other waterworks belonging to said city.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 146½. The Board of Public Works shall have power to acquire and take by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, in the name of the city, any and all property that may be necessary or convenient for the construction or completion of any public work or improvement, the construction or completion of which the Board of Public Works has charge, superintendence, or control, and the cost of which is to be paid from the proceeds of bonds issued and sold by said city.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 147. The Board of Public Works shall have charge of the enforcement of all ordinances relating to the construction, alteration, repair, demolition or removal of buildings and structures in the city; and to the arrangement, alteration and repair, use and operation of all heating, plumbing, lighting, ventilating and electrical and mechanical appliances therein.

Sec. 148. All contracts for the performance or furnishing of labor, materials or supplies, required for the execution of any service of which the Board of Public Works has charge, superintendence or control, or for the construction or completion of any work or improvement of the construction or completion of which said board has charge, superintendence or control, except public work or improvements, the cost or expenses of which are to be paid by assessment upon property in proportion to frontage or benefits and except as hereinafter provided, shall be let and entered into in behalf of the city by the board in the following manner:

Every such contract shall first be authorized by resolution passed by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the whole Council. The board shall, except in cases of urgent necessity, as hereinafter provided, upon the passage of the resolution authorizing such contract, cause a notice to be posted conspicuously in its office and published one or more times in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the City of Los Angeles, inviting sealed bids for the performance or furnishing of the labor, service, materials or supplies required. Said notice shall require the bids to be filed with the board at or before a certain hour of a day to be specified in the notice, and shall contain a general description of the work, service, materials or supplies to be performed or furnished, and the amount of the bond to be given for the faithful performance of the contract, and shall refer to plans and specifications on file in the office of the board for full details and description of said work, service, materials or supplies.

Said notice shall require each bid to be accompanied by a check certified by a responsible bank, payable to the order of the president of the board for an amount not less than five per cent. of the aggregate sum of the bid, or by a satisfactory bond for the said amount and so payable, as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the proposed contract if the same is awarded to him, and the form and manner of making bids may, in all other

respects, be prescribed in said notice, and no bid shall be considered unless the same is accompanied by said check or bond and is made in the prescribed form and manner. On the day and at the hour specified in the notice inviting bids the board shall meet and in open session examine and publicly declare the bids received. The board shall award the contract to the lowest regular, responsible bidder, or shall reject all bids. The board shall reject the bid of any party who has been delinquent or unfaithful in the performance of any former contract with the city, and shall reject all bids other than that of the lowest regular, responsible bidder. Upon rejecting any bids the board shall return to the proper parties the checks accompanying the rejected bids. The check accompanying the accepted bid shall be held by the secretary of the board until the contract for performing the work or service or furnishing the materials or supplies proposed to be done or furnished has been entered into. If the successful bidder fails to enter into the contract, or to execute the bond required for the faithful performance thereof, within ten days after the same is awarded to him, then the certified check accompanying his bid shall be presented for payment and collected, and the amount thereof paid into the general funds of the city. Every contract entered into by the board shall first be approved as to form by the City Attorney, and shall contain detailed specifications and plans of the work or service to be done, the manner in which it is to be performed, and the quantity and kind of materials or supplies to be used or furnished, or shall refer to such specifications and plans on file in the office of the board. Said contract shall be signed on behalf of the city by the president or by two of the members of the board and by the other contracting party. The contractor shall enter into and deliver to the secretary of the board a bond in the sum named in the notice inviting bids, conditioned for the faithful performance of the contract and executed by the contractor and by a responsible surety company or by two or more sufficient sureties approved by the board.

When any repairs, alterations, work or improvement shall be

deemed of urgent necessity by the board a contract for the performance or furnishing of the labor, materials or supplies required therefor may be made by the board in behalf of the city, in writing or otherwise, without advertising for or inviting bids; provided, that if the contract for the furnishing of the labor, materials or supplies so required involves an expenditure of more than $500, the resolution of the Council authorizing the same shall, before it takes effect, be approved by the Mayor; provided, however, that authorization or approval by the Council or the Mayor shall not be required in the case of any contract proposed to be made by the board after advertisement for and inviting bids, as above provided, for the performance or furnishing of labor, materials or supplies required for the construction or completion of any work or improvement, of the construction or completion of which the said board has charge, superintendence or control, and the cost of which is to be paid from the proceeds of bonds issued and sold by the city; and provided, further, that authorization or approval by the Council or Mayor, or advertisement for or inviting bids shall not be required in the case of any contract proposed to be made by the board for the performance or furnishing of labor, materials or supplies required as aforesaid, when such contract does not involve an expenditure of more than five hundred dollars.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 149. All instruments, warrants, records, certificates, notices, or other documents required to be signed or executed by the Board of Public Works shall be signed on order of the board by the president or by two members thereof.

Sec. 150. The Board of Public Works shall present to the City Council at its meeting in the second week of July, in each year, a report for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June next preceding, which shall show the amount of money received from the sale of bonds, the purposes for which such money has been expended, the amount so expended, and the balance on hand in each bond fund, and also such information and suggestions as it may deem of general interest; and the Board of Public Works

shall also, on or before the tenth day of each month make out and present to the City Council a similar statement of all expenditures during the preceding month of the moneys derived from the sale of bonds.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 151. When the construction or completion of any public work or improvement, the cost of which is to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, is to be carried on outside the City of Los Angeles, and the Board of Public Works shall deem it necessary or convenient that any part of the money to be expended for the cost of such work or improvements shall be disbursed at any point or points outside said city, said board may appoint a disbursing agent, whose duty it shall be to disburse such money, in the manner hereinafter specified. The said disbursing agent shall enter into and deliver to the said board a bond payable to the city, in a sum to be fixed by said board, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, executed by himself, and by a responsible surety company, or if required by the board, by two or more sufficient sureties approved by the board, and said board may, from time to time, require from said disbursing agent a new bond, or such additional bond as it may deem proper. Said board shall, after the execution and delivery of such bond, by resolution, authorize the payment and delivery to said disbursing agent of such sum of money as it may deem proper, and said sum shall thereupon be paid to said disbursing agent by the City Treasurer upon a demand approved by the board as in other cases out of the fund from which the cost of said work or improvement is to be paid, and the receipt of said disbursing agent therefor shall release the City Treasurer from all liability for the money so paid. Provided, however, that said board shall not authorize the payment to said disbursing agent of any money which, together with the moneys already paid to him and remaining unexpended as herein provided, shall exceed fifty per cent of the amount of the bond of said disbursing agent.

That said disbursing agent shall thereafter pay out said

money as may be required in the prosecution of said work for services or for material and supplies, but no money shall be paid by him except upon order of said Board of Public Works and upon vouchers or demands certified to be correct by the officer or agent of the city under whose direction the services are rendered or the materials or supplies used.

Said disbursing agent shall, on or before the tenth day of each calendar month, and at such other times as may be required by said Board of Public Works, render to said board an account showing the amount of money in his hands on the first day of the preceding calendar month, all amounts received, and all moneys disbursed by him during said preceding month, and the amount of money remaining in his hands on the last day of said preceding month.

Said disbursing agent shall perform such other duties and comply with such rules and regulations as the Board of Public Works may prescribe. Said agent shall be exempt from the provisions of the Civil Service, and shall receive such salary as the Council by ordinance may fix.—[Amendment, 1907.]

ARTICLE XVIII.

[Amendment, 1903.]

Water, Water Rights and Waterworks.

Sec. 190. The City of Los Angeles shall continue in the ownership and enjoyment of all the rights to the water of the River Los Angeles heretofore vested in it, its predecessors or predecessor, including the Pueblo of Los Angeles, and is hereby declared to have the full, free and exclusive right to all the water flowing in the said river at any point from its source or sources to the intersection of said river with the southern boundary of said city, and also the ownership of and the right to develop, economize, control, use and utilize all waters flowing beneath the

surface in the bed of said river at any point or points between the points of termini above named..

Sec. 191. The said city shall not convey, lease, or otherwise dispose of its rights in the waters of said River Los Angeles, or any part thereof, or grant, or lease to any corporation or person any right or privileges to use, manage or control the said waters, or any part thereof, for any purpose, public or private. No other water or water rights now or hereafter owned by said city shall be conveyed, leased or otherwise disposed of without the assent of two-thirds of the qualified electors of said city voting upon such proposition at an election general or special, at which such proposition shall be lawfully submitted; provided, however, that this section shall not be construed to prevent the ordinary sale and distribution by the city, in the manner hereinafter prescribed, of the waters belonging to said city, to the inhabitants thereof or persons doing business therein, for domestic and irrigating uses, and for manufacturing and business purposes, other than water power, or to prevent the distributing or supplying by the city in the manner hereinafter prescribed, of surplus water, belonging to the city, to other municipal corporations for public, domestic and business purposes, within such municipalities, respectively, or to consumers and users outside of the limits of the city, for domestic and irrigating purposes; provided, further, that no water shall be distributed or supplied to any person, or corporation, other than municipal, for re-sale, rental, or disposal to consumers; and provided further, that no water shall be furnished for use outside of the limits of the city unless the furnishing of the same, and the terms and conditions thereof, shall first be authorized by resolution, adopted by the Board of Water Commissioners and approved by an ordinance of said city.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 192. There is hereby created, for the purpose of managing and controlling all waters and water rights that are now, or may be hereafter, owned by the City of Los Angeles, a department of said city to be known as the "Water Department," which shall be under the management and control of a Board of Water Commissioners.

(a) Said board shall consist of five members, who shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the Council.

(b) No person shall be appointed a Water Commissioner who shall not have been an elector of the City of Los Angeles for at least five years next preceding his appointment, and the appointments of water commissioners shall be made so that not more than three members of the board shall, at any one time, belong to the same political party.

(c) The term of office of the water commissioners shall be four years. The five commissioners first appointed hereunder shall so classify themselves by lot that one shall go out of office at the end of one year, one at the end of two years, one at the end of three years, and two at the end of four years, and if any vacancy occurs, the Mayor shall, subject to confirmation by the Council, fill the same by appointment for the unexpired term.

(d) The commissioners shall organize by electing one of their members president, who shall hold his office for one year and until his successor is elected, and they may appoint a secretary, who is not a member of the board, and fix his compensation.

(e) The president of the Board of Water Commissioners shall be the executive officer of the Water Department, and shall perform such duties as the board may prescribe. He shall devote so much of his time to the duties of his office as may be necessary for the proper supervision and direction of the business of the Water Department. The secretary of the board shall keep a record of the proceedings of the board, and may certify such proceedings under his hand, to be authenticated by seal, if a seal be adopted and provided by the board for that purpose, and shall perform such other duties as the board may prescribe.

(f) The board shall maintain an office, and prescribe office hours for the convenience of the public. The board shall hold a regular stated meeting once in each week. The members of the board shall serve without compensation, except that the presi-

dent of the board shall receive a salary of $3000 per annum, payable in equal monthly installments.

(g) The Board of Water Commissioners shall have power:

To manage and control all waters, water rights and water-bearing lands, and all waterworks, reservoirs, zanjas, and ditches belonging to the city.

To construct, operate, maintain and extend waterworks, dams, reservoirs, zanjas, ditches, canals and other means for supplying the city and its inhabitants with water, and to acquire and take by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, and, in its own name, to hold as special trustee for the city, any and all property, including waters and water rights, situated within or without the limits of the city, other than the waters of the River Los Angeles, that may be necessary or convenient for such construction, operation, maintenance or extension.

To regulate and control the use, sale and distribution of water belonging to the city, the collection of water rates, and the granting of permits for connections with said waterworks, zanjas, or ditches, and to fix the rates to be charged for such connections; and, subject to the approval of the City Council, to fix the rates to be charged for water, and to prescribe the time and manner of payment of the same.

To appoint, employ, and, for good cause, to remove the superintendent of waterworks, the water overseer, and such assistants, employes and laborers as the board may deem necessary; to fix their compensations, prescribe their duties, and to require of any or all of them adequate bonds for the faithful performance of such duties.

To sue and be sued, and to require the services of the City Attorney, free of charge, in all cases to which the board is a party.

To control and order the expenditure of all moneys received from the sale or use of water; provided, that all such moneys shall be deposited in the treasury of the city to the credit of a fund to be known as the "Water Revenue Fund," and shall be kept sep-

arate and apart from other moneys of the city, and shall only be drawn from said fund upon demands authenticated by the signatures of the president and secretary of the board, or, in the absence of the president, by the signatures of two members and the secretary of the board, except that the City Council, at the time of fixing the general tax levy, may, in its discretion, by ordinance, apportion and set apart, out of the moneys then in said Water Revenue Fund, an amount sufficient to meet all sums coming due for interest or principal, or for interest and principal, upon all outstanding waterworks bonds, before the time for fixing the next general tax levy, and the City Treasurer shall use the money so apportioned to make such payment, and for no other purpose; and if there shall be a surplus remaining, the same shall forthwith be retransferred into said Water Revenue Fund.

(h) None of the money in said Water Revenue Fund or coming under the control of said board, shall be appropriated or used for any purpose or purposes other than the following, to-wit:

First: For the necessary expenses of conducting the Water Department, of operating the waterworks, and of making all current and ordinary extensions, betterments and repairs.

Second: For extraordinary improvements of and betterments to the property, works, and systems of supply and distribution of the Water Department, including the purchase of necessary lands, water rights and other property.

Third: The payment, as above provided, of installments of interest or principal, or of interest and principal coming due upon outstanding waterworks bonds.

Provided, however, that said board may, in its discretion, so fix the water rates as to produce a revenue sufficient only for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses of conducting the Water Department, of operating the waterworks, and of making all current and ordinary extensions, betterments and repairs, and for no other purpose.

(i) The said board shall also have power, by a resolution adopted by a majority of all of its members, and recorded in the minutes with the ayes and noes at length, to make and enforce all such reasonable by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary for its government, for the administration of the Water Department, and for the exercise of the powers conferred by this article; provided, that no such rule, by-law, or other act of the board fixing water rates, or prescribing the time or manner of payment thereof, shall be effective until the same shall be approved by the City Council, and thereafter published for at least three days in a daily newspaper printed and published in the City of Los Angeles.

(j) Three members of the Board of Water Commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but no contract shall be made, no bill audited, nor any act done involving the expenditure of money, or the incurring of a debt, unless three members of the board vote in favor thereof.

The board shall not make any contract or expenditure for supplies, goods, materials, machinery or merchandise, involving the sum of more than five hundred dollars, unless it shall first have caused a notice to be published in a daily newspaper, printed and published in the City of Los Angeles, inviting proposals to furnish the same. And the contract therefor shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder who shall furnish security for its performance, satisfactory to the board; provided, that the board may reject any and all bids.

(k) The Board of Water Commissioners shall present to the City Council, at its meeting in the second week of July in each year, a report for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June, next preceding, which shall show the amount of money received from all sources, the purposes for which such money has been expended, the amounts so expended, and the balance on hand; also the nature and condition of the property held by the board, with such information and suggestions as it may deem of general interest; and the board shall also, on or before the

tenth day of each month, make out and present to the City Council a similar statement of all receipts and expenditures during the preceding calendar month.—[Amendment, 1909.]

(l) As soon as practicable after the first Board of Water Commissioners appointed hereunder shall take office, the City Council shall cause to be conveyed to said board, as special trustee for the city, all property, real and personal, belonging to the city (except the water and water rights mentioned in section 190 of this Charter), that is now or may hereafter be used, required, or convenient in the operation, maintenance, or extension of a system of waterworks for supplying the inhabitants of the City of Los Angeles with water, and in protecting the sources of such water supply from diversion or pollution.

(m) The board may lease for terms not exceeding three years, any or all of the lands by this article placed under its control for agricultural or other purposes, which shall not conflict with the beneficial use of said lands by the city for the purposes for which they are held by said board; and the board may sell, from time to time, such personal property placed under its control, as shall not be longer necessary or suitable for the use of the Water Department. No real property nor any rights or interests in real property held by said board shall be sold, leased or otherwise disposed of, or in any manner withdrawn from its control, save as above provided, unless by a written instrument duly authorized by ordinance of the city, and a resolution of the board and duly executed by the city and the board; provided, that none of the waters or water rights, by this article placed under the control of said board, shall be conveyed, leased or otherwise disposed of, except as provided in section 191 of this Charter.

(n) That the superintendent of waterworks and the five members of the Board of Water Commissioners shall be officers of the municipality in addition to the other officers thereof provided for herein.

Sec. 193. All water mains hereafter laid in said city by any private person, company, or corporation, shall be of such material

and of such capacity as shall be prescribed by ordinance; provided, that no such main shall hereafter be laid in said city of less dimensions than four inches in diameter.

The rates of compensation for use of water to be collected in said city, by any person, company, or corporation, other than the Board of Water Commissioners, shall be fixed annually by ordinance, and shall continue in force for one year and no longer. Such ordinance shall be passed in the month of February of each year, and take effect on the first day of July thereafter. Should the Council fail to pass the necessary ordinances, fixing the water rates within the time hereinbefore prescribed, it shall be subject to peremptory process to compel action at the suit of any party interested.

ARTICLE XIX.

Elections.

Sec. 194. Elections to be held in said city for the purpose of electing the officers of said city, and for all other purposes, are of three kinds:

(1) Primary Nominating Elections.

(2) General Municipal Elections.

(3) Special Elections.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 195. General municipal elections shall be held in said city on the first Tuesday in December, 1909, and on the first Tuesday in December every two years thereafter, at which shall be elected the elective officers in this Charter provided for.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 196. The officers elected at a general municipal election shall, after they have qualified as provided in this Charter, enter upon the discharge of the duties of the offices to which they have been elected, on the first Monday in January of the year succeeding their election, at 12 o'clock m., and shall serve for two years, and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

The officers elected at the general municipal election held on the first Tuesday in December, 1906, shall serve for three years, beginning on the first Monday in January, 1907, and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

In the case of a special election to fill a vacancy, the person elected shall, after qualifying, as herein provided, enter at once upon the discharge of the duties of the office to which he has been elected, and shall serve for the remainder of the term, and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 197. In the event of a vacancy in the City Council, a special election for the purpose of filling the same shall be ordered and held without delay. In the event of a vacancy in any other elective office other than a vacancy in the office of member of the Board of Education, which shall be filled by such board, the Council shall fill such vacancy for the unexpired term.—

Sec. 198. The Council shall have power to submit to the electors of said city at any election any question required to be so submitted by the Constitution, the law, this Charter, or by ordinance; provided, that in case such question is required by said Constitution, law, Charter, or ordinance to be submitted at a special or other particular kind of election, it shall be so submitted, and not otherwise.

The Initiative.

Sec. 198-a. Any proposed ordinance may be submitted to the Council by a petition signed by registered electors of the city equal in number to the percentages hereinafter required. The signatures to the petition need not all be appended to one paper, but each signer shall add to his signature his place of residence, giving the street and number. One of the signers of each such paper shall make oath before an officer competent to administer oaths, that the statements therein made are true, and that each signature to the paper appended is the genuine signature of the

person whose name purports to be thereunto subscribed. Within ten days from the date of filing such petition the City Clerk shall examine and from the Great Register ascertain whether or not said petition is signed by the requisite number of qualified electors, and, if necessary, the Council shall allow him extra help for that purpose, and he shall attach to said petition his certificate showing the result of said examination. If, by the Clerk's certificate, the petition is shown to be insufficient, it may be amended within ten days from the date of said certificate. The clerk shall, within ten days after such amendment, make like examination of the amended petition, and if his certificate shall show the same to be insufficient, it shall be returned to the person filing the same, without prejudice, however, to the filing of a new petition to the same effect. If the petition shall be found to be sufficient, the clerk shall submit the same to the Council without delay.

If the petition accompanying the proposed ordinance be signed by electors equal in number to fifteen per cent. of the entire vote cast for all candidates for Mayor at the last preceding general election at which a Mayor was elected, and contains a request that said ordinance be submitted forthwith to a vote of the people at a special election, then the Council shall either:

(a) Pass said ordinance without alteration within twenty days after the attachment of the clerk's certificate of sufficiency to the accompanying petition (subject to a referendary vote under the provisions of section 198b of this Charter); and if the ordinance shall be passed by the Council, but shall be vetoed by the Mayor, and on reconsideration shall fail of passage by the Council, then, within five days after determination that said ordinance shall have so failed of final adoption, the Council shall proceed to call a special election, at which said ordinance, without alteration, shall be submitted to a vote of the people; or,

(b) Forthwith after the clerk shall attach to the petition accompanying such ordinance his certificate of sufficiency, the Council shall proceed to call a special election at which said ordi-

nance, without alteration, shall be submitted to a vote of the people.

If the petition be signed by electors equal in number to at least five per cent., but less than fifteen per cent., of the entire vote cast for all candidates for Mayor at the last preceding general election at which a Mayor was elected, then such ordinance, without alteration, shall be submitted by the Council to a vote of the people at the next general municipal election that shall occur at any time after thirty days from the date of the clerks' certificate of sufficiency attached to the petition accompanying such ordinance.

The ballots used when voting upon said proposed ordinance shall contain the words "For the Ordinance" (stating the nature of the proposed ordinance) and "Against the Ordinance" (stating general nature of the proposed ordinance). If a majority of the qualified electors voting on said proposed ordinance shall vote in favor thereof, such ordinance shall thereupon become a valid and binding ordinance of the city; and any ordinance proposed by petition, or which shall be adopted by a vote of the people cannot be repealed or amended except by a vote of the people.

Any number of proposed ordinances may be voted upon at the same election, in accordance with the provisions of this section; provided that there shall not be held under this section of the Charter more than one special election in any period of six months.

The Council may submit a proposition for the repeal of any such ordinance, or for amendments thereto, to be voted upon at any succeeding general city election; and should such proposition, so submitted, receive a majority of the votes cast thereon at such election, such ordinance shall be repealed or amended accordingly. Whenever any ordinance or proposition is required by this Charter to be submitted to the voters of the city at any election, the City Clerk shall cause the ordinance or proposition to be printed, and he shall enclose a printed copy thereof in an

envelope with a sample ballot, and mail the same to each voter, at least ten days prior to the election, but the City Council may order such ordinance or proposition to be printed in the official newspaper of the city and published in like manner as ordinances adopted by the Council are required to be published, and may order that such publication shall take the place of the printing and mailing of the ordinance or proposition, and of the sample ballot as first above provided.—[Amendment, 1903.]

The Referendum.

Sec. 198-b. No ordinance passed by the City Council (except when otherwise required by the general laws of the State or by the provisions of this Charter, respecting street improvements, and except an ordinance for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, which contains a statement of its urgency, and is passed by a two-thirds vote of the Council, but no grant of any franchise shall be construed to be an urgency measure, but all franchises shall be subject to the referendary vote herein provided), shall go into effect before thirty days from the time of its final passage and its approval by the Mayor; and if during said thirty days a petition signed by electors of the city equal in number to at least seven per cent. of the entire vote cast for all candidates for Mayor at the last preceding general election at which a Mayor was elected, protesting against the passage of such ordinance, be presented to the Council, the same shall thereupon be suspended from going into operation, and it shall be the duty of the Council to reconsider such ordinance, and if the same is not entirely repealed, the Council shall submit the ordinance as is provided in section 198a of this Charter, to the vote of the electors of the city, either at the next general election or at a special municipal election to be called for that purpose, and such ordinance shall not go into effect or become operative unless a majority of the qualified electors voting on the same shall vote in favor thereof. Said petition shall be in all respects in accordance with the provisions of said

section 198a, except as to the percentage of signers, and be examined and certified by the clerk in all respects as is therein provided.

The Recall.

Sec. 198-c. The holder of any elective office may be removed at any time by the electors qualified to vote for a successor of such incumbent. The procedure to effect the removal of an incumbent of an elective office shall be as follows: A petition signed by electors entitled to vote for a successor to the incumbent sought to be removed, equal in number to at least 25 per centum of the entire vote for all candidates for the office, the incumbent of which is sought to be removed, cast at the last preceding general municipal election, demanding an election of a successor of the person sought to be removed, shall be filed with the City Clerk; provided, that the petition sent to the Council shall contain a general statement of the grounds for which the removal is sought. The signatures to the petition need not all be appended to one paper, but each signer shall add to his signature his place of residence, giving the street and number. One of the signers of each such paper shall make oath before an officer competent to administer oaths, that the statements therein made are true, and that each signature to the paper appended is the genuine signature of the person whose name purports to be thereunto subscribed. Within ten days from the date of filing such petition the City Clerk shall examine and from the Great Register ascertain whether or not said petition is signed by the requisite number of qualified electors, and, if necessary, the Council shall allow him extra help for that purpose, and he shall attach to said petition his certificate showing the result of said examination. If, by the clerk's certificate, the petition is shown to be insufficient, it may be amended within ten days from the date of said certificate. The clerk shall, within ten days after such amendment, make like examination of the amended petition, and if his certificate shall show the same to be insufficient, it

shall be returned to the person filing the same, without prejudice, however, to the filing of a new petition to the same effect. If the petition shall be found to be sufficient the clerk shall submit the same to the Council without delay. If the petition shall be found to be sufficient the City Council shall order, and fix a date for holding the said election, not less than thirty days nor more than forty days from the date of the clerk's certificate to the Council that a sufficient petition is filed.

The City Council shall make or cause to be made publication of notice, and all arrangements for holding of such election; and the same shall be conducted, returned, and the result thereof declared, in all respects, as are other city elections. The successor of any officer so removed shall hold office during the unexpired term of his predecessor. Any person sought to be removed may be a candidate to succeed himself, and, unless he requests otherwise, in writing, the clerk shall place his name on the official ballot without nomination. In any such removal election, the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. At such election if some other person than the incumbent receives the highest number of votes, the incumbent shall thereupon be deemed removed from the office upon qualification of his successor. In case the party who receives the highest number of votes should fail to qualify within ten days after receiving notification of election, the office shall be deemed vacant. If the incumbent receives the highest number of votes he shall continue in office.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 199. If any special election be ordered held and conducted, it shall be ordered, held and conducted (except as to the date thereof), and the result thereof made known and declared, in the same manner as herein provided for other elections.

Sec. 199½. The City Council may, in calling special elections, order the consolidation thereof; provided, however, that not more than ten separate propositions or questions shall be submitted in any one election.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 200. The Council of said city shall by ordinance order

the holding of all elections. Such ordinances shall specify the object and time of holding such election and designate the voting precincts and polling places therefor, and the names of the election officers for each precinct, who must be residents thereof, to conduct the holding of and make returns of such election; said ordinance shall be published in some daily newspaper printed and published in said city at least ten days prior to the time appointed for the holding of the election.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 201. Returns of all elections shall be made to the Council, who shall, within ten days thereafter, either at a regular or special meeting, canvass the returns and declare the result thereof, and order certificates of election to be issued by the City Clerk to the persons elected. The Council shall be the judge of the qualifications of all of the elective officers.

Sec. 202. All elections shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be conducted and held in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State for the holding of general elections in effect at the time.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 203. No person shall be eligible to any municipal office under this Charter who at the time of his election or appointment is not a qualified elector of this city, and to be eligible to the office of member of the Council, the person elected must also have been a resident of the city for at least two years next preceding his election.—[Amendment, 1909.]

Sec. 204. The qualifications of an elector at any election held in pursuance of this Charter shall be the same as those prescribed by the laws of this State for an elector at a general State election, in force at the time of such election; provided, that when any such municipal election is held after the completion of the register for any general State election, all persons who are on the last such register completed, and also all persons who have registered since the completion thereof, and before the closing of registration for such municipal election, shall be entitled to vote at such municipal election. Registration and transfers of registration for any such municipal election shall cease for the

same period before the holding thereof as is or may be provided in the case of general State elections.

It shall be the duty of the County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles to keep his office open for registration for at least sixty days prior to the closing of registration for such municipal election, and to register all qualified electors of said city who may apply for such registration during that time.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 205. The registers used at any election held in pursuance of this Charter shall be the registers used at the last preceding general State election in the precincts in which such municipal election is held, together with supplemental registers showing all additional registrations, transfers, and changes since the closing of registration for such general State election. It shall be the duty of the County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles to furnish such registers with proper indices thereto, to the City Clerk of said city at least five days before the holding of such municipal election.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 206. The present officers of the city shall hold, continue to hold and exercise their respective offices until the election or appointment and qualification of the first officers to be elected or appointed under this Charter, with the powers and duties vested in and imposed upon them by the Charter and the ordinances of the city under which they were elected.

Primary Nominating Election.

Sec. 206-a. Candidates to be voted for at any general municipal election, or special election to fill a vacancy, shall be nominated at a primary nominating election, and no names shall be printed upon the ballot for such general or special election other than those selected in the manner hereinafter prescribed.

Sec. 206-b. The primary nominating election shall be held not less than three nor more than five weeks preceding such general or special election. The officers of election who shall be appointed for the primary nominating election shall be the offi-

cers of such general or special election, and such general or special election shall be held at the same places, so far as possible, and the polls shall be opened and closed at the same hours, as may be provided for the primary nominating election. All ballots, blanks and other supplies to be used at any primary nominating election, and all expenses necessarily incurred in the preparation for or the conducting of such primary election shall be paid out of the treasury of the city in the same manner, with like effect, and by the same officers, as in the case of other elections.

Sec. 206-c. The name of no candidate for nomination shall be printed upon the primary nomination ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed in his behalf, as provided herein, in substantially the following form:

We, the undersigned, qualified electors of the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, do hereby petition that the following named person or persons shall be a candidate or candidates for the office or offices hereinafter specified, to be voted for at the primary nominating election to be held for the nomination of candidates for offices of said city at the next general election (or in case of a special election, say at a special election) for (name the office or offices to be filled).

Name of Candidate. Office. Address.

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Name of Petitioner. Address.

State of California, County of Los Angeles—ss.

I, ..., do hereby certify that I am a qualified elector of the City of Los Angeles, that I reside at No. .... street, in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed

in my presence and are genuine, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of so signing qualified electors of said city and that their respective residences are correctly stated as above set forth.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this ..... day of ....., A. D. .....

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Sec. 206-d. Such petition shall consist of sheets of uniform size to be furnished by the City Clerk, and said petition and each separate sheet thereof shall be preceded by a heading in large clear letters or type giving name of petition, or for what office, and name of candidate nominated, in substantially the following form:

Petition for nomination of A. B. for City Clerk and C. C. for City Auditor, etc., etc.

Such petition shall be signed by qualified electors of the City of Los Angeles in their own proper persons only, and opposite the signature of each signer, his residence address shall be written by him, or if he is unable to write, by some one under his direction, giving the street and number when such designation by street and number can be given. At the bottom of each sheet of such petition shall be added a statement, signed by a qualified elector of the city, stating his residence address, with street and number when such designation by street and number can be given, certifying that the signatures on that sheet of said petition were signed in his presence and are genuine, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing said petition qualified electors of said city. Such statement shall be sworn to before some officer authorized to administer oaths. Such sheets, before being filed, shall be fastened together, in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile, and fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable manner, and then the sheets shall be numbered con-

secutively. The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end to end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll.

Sec. 206-e. No petition for nominations shall be held sufficient unless signed by at least one hundred qualified electors of the city. No petition for nomination shall contain the names of more than one candidate for each office. No voter may sign more than one petition for a candidate for the same office.

Sec. 206-f. Said petition shall be presented to the City Clerk not later than sixty days and not earlier than eighty days prior to the election for which such nominations are made, and the clerk shall endorse thereon the date of such presentation. The clerk shall immediately, upon the presentation to him of a petition, ascertain and determine whether or not the petition is signed by the requisite number of qualified electors. If necessary, the Council shall allow the clerk extra help in this work, and the clerk shall, within five days after the presentation thereof, attach his certificate to the petition showing the result of his examination.

Sec. 206-g. If, by the clerk's certificate, it shall appear that the petition has not been signed by the requisite number of qualified electors, it may be amended within five days from the date of said certificate by the further addition of names. The clerk shall, within five days after such amendment, make like examination of the amended petition, and shall certify as to the result of his examination, but no further amendment shall be allowed.

Sec. 206-h. If either the original or amended petition shall be found to be sufficiently signed as herein provided, the same shall be filed by the clerk. Said petition, when filed, shall not be withdrawn or added to, and no signature shall be withdrawn therefrom after presentation to the clerk.

Sec. 206-i. Immediately upon the filing of the petitions for nominations, the clerk shall enter the names of the candidates so nominated in a list and shall, not later than ten days prior to the election, certify said list as being the list of candidates nominated as required by this Charter, and shall cause said certificate,

together with said list of names and the offices for which the several candidates were respectively nominated, to be published at least five consecutive days prior to the primary nominating election in five of the daily newspapers published in the city.

Sec. 206-j. Any proposed candidate may cause his name to be withdrawn and removed from the list of candidates by filing with the clerk his request and demand, in writing, to that effect any time before the clerk shall have certified the list of candidates nominated.

Sec. 206-k. The clerk shall cause the ballots to be printed and, except when voting machines are used, numbered and bound, which ballots shall contain the list of names of candidates and respective offices as published, with the following caption:

"Primary Nominating Election.
City of Los Angeles (inserting date thereof).

"To vote, stamp a cross opposite the name of the candidate voted for, except that when name of candidate is written in by voter the cross shall not be made."

The names of the offices to be filled shall be arranged on the ballots in the order the officers of the city to be elected are named in this Charter.

Sec. 206-l. The names of the candidates for each office shall be arranged on the ballot of the primary nominating election in alphabetical order. There shall be nothing on any ballot indicative of the party affiliation, source of candidacy or support of any candidate.

Sec. 206-m. Each ballot shall contain blank spaces underneath the printed names for each office, wherein the voter may write the name of any candidate whose name is not printed on the ballot and for whom he may wish to vote, and in such case a cross shall not be stamped opposite such written name.

Sec. 206-n. Any candidate to fill a vacancy and to serve the remainder of an unexpired term shall be designated on the ballot as a candidate to fill a vacancy.

Sec. 206-o. The two candidates receiving the highest num-

ber of votes for any given office at the primary nominating election shall be the candidates, and the only candidates, for such office whose names shall be printed upon the ballots to be used at the general municipal election or special election; provided, that where more than one office of the same kind is to be filled, the candidates therefor, equaling in number twice the number of such offices, who receive the highest number of votes at the primary nominating election, shall be the candidates and the only candidates for such offices whose names shall be printed upon the ballot to be used at such general or special election.

Sec. 206-p. The ballot at such general or special election shall be in the same general form as for such primary nominating election, so far as applicable, and without any indication as to the party affiliation, source of candidacy or support of any candidate.

Sec. 206-q. Any person entitled to vote at any election held in the City of Los Angeles shall, on the day of such election, be entitled to absent himself from any service or employment in which he is then engaged or employed, for the period of two consecutive hours between the time of opening and the time of closing the polls; and such voter shall not, because of so absenting himself, be liable to any penalty, nor shall any deduction be made on account of such absence from his usual salary or wages.

Sec. 206-r. Nothing contained in any of the foregoing sections numbered 206-a to 206-q inclusive shall be deemed to apply to an election held under the provisions of section 198-c of this Charter.—[Amendment, 1909.]

ARTICLE XX.

Contracts.

Sec. 207. The City of Los Angeles shall not be and is not bound by any contract (except such a contract as is now or may

be hereafter authorized by this Charter to be made in behalf of the city by a board or officer of the city), unless the City Council shall have first caused notice to be published for not less than five days in a daily newspaper, printed and published in the City of Los Angeles, inviting proposals to perform the same, and thereafter shall have let said contract to the lowest responsible bidder furnishing security for its performance, satisfactory to the City Council; provided, that any such contract shall not be made or be binding on the city unless first authorized by resolution passed by the Council, subject to approval by the Mayor and passage over his veto by the Council, and the provisions of sections 37 and 38 of this Charter are hereby made applicable to every such resolution; that any such contract shall be made in writing, the draft thereof approved by the Council, and the same ordered to be, and be, signed, on behalf of the city, by the Mayor, or some other person authorized thereto by resolution, and that the approval, as to form, of such contract by the City Attorney, as required by section 49 of this Charter, shall be endorsed on the draft thereof before the Council shall have power to approve the same; provided, further, that the Council may by resolution authorize any officer, committee or agent of the city to bind the city for the payment of a sum of money, not exceeding $500, without a contract in writing and without any previous publication of notice inviting proposals or the presentation to or approval by the Mayor of such resolution.—[Amendment, 1909.]

ARTICLE XXI.

Claims and Demands.

Sec. 208. All claims and demands whatever against the City of Los Angeles, except interest coupons on bonds and bonds of the funded debt, shall be paid only on demands as herein provided for.

Sec. 209. Said demands, except demands payable out of the

School Fund, the Library Fund, Water Revenue Fund or funds derived from the sale of bonds issued by the City of Los Angeles, shall be presented to the Council on forms and blanks to be provided by the City Clerk, and shall be referred to its Committee on Finance. The said committee shall, by endorsement thereon, approve or reject the same in whole or in part. The Council shall then consider the said demands and the action of said committee thereon, and shall, if the same be just and legal, approve the same; or may, if it so determine, approve in part or reject the whole. The action of the Council shall be endorsed thereon, with the date of such action, and certified by the signature of the president and City Clerk; provided, that it shall require the votes of two-thirds of the members of the whole Council, under a call of the ayes and noes, and the vote spread upon the minutes, to approve any such demand in whole or in part.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 210. Any such demand approved by the Council, in whole or in part, shall be delivered to the Mayor, who shall approve the same in whole or in part, or reject the same and indorse such approval or rejection thereon, with the date thereof; provided, that the Mayor shall have no power to approve a demand for a sum larger than the sum in which it is approved by the Council. If the Mayor approve only in part, and for a less amount than approved by the Council, or reject any such demand, he shall return the same to the City Clerk with his objections in writing attached thereto.

Sec. 211. All demands approved by the Mayor for the same amount as approved by the Council, shall by him be delivered to the City Auditor, who shall satisfy himself whether the money is legally due and remains unpaid, and whether the payment thereof from the city treasury is authorized by law, and out of what fund. If he approve it, he shall indorse upon it the word "approved," with the name of the fund out of which it is payable, with the date of such approval, and sign his name thereto; provided, that such approval by the City Auditor shall

be valid only for such amount as shall have been approved by both the Council and the Mayor, unless the objections of the Mayor have been overruled by the Council, as provided in section 214, and if in the judgment of the City Auditor such demand should be allowed only for a less amount than approved by the Council and the Mayor, or he shall reject the said demand, he shall return the same to the Council with his objections in writing attached thereto.

Sec. 212. All demands payable out of the School Fund must, before they can be approved by the City Auditor, or paid, be previously approved by the Board of Education, by a vote of five members thereof taken with the ayes and noes and spread on the minutes, and the action of said board indorsed on said demand and signed by the presiding officer and the clerk thereof. After the approval of said demands they shall be delivered to the City Auditor, who shall have the same powers and shall perform the same duties in reference to demands payable out of the School Fund as is provided for other demands; provided, that in case the City Auditor shall reject any such demand, or if in his opinion said demand should be paid only in part, he shall return the same to the Board of Education, instead of the Council.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 213. All demands payable out of the Library Fund must, before they can be approved by the City Auditor, or paid, be previously approved by the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library, by a vote of three members thereof, taken with the ayes and noes and spread on the minutes, and the action of said board indorsed on said demand and signed by the presiding officer and the clerk thereof. After the approval of said demands they shall be delivered to the City Auditor, who shall have the same power and perform the same duties in reference to demands payable out of the Library Fund as are provided for other demands; provided that in case the City Auditor shall reject any such demand, or if in his opinion said demand should

be paid only in part, he shall return the same to the said Board of Directors, instead of to the Council.

Sec. 213½. All demands payable out of the Water Revenue Fund must be presented to the Board of Water Commissioners, and, before they can be approved by the City Auditor or paid, must be previously approved by the Board of Water Commissioners, by a vote of three members thereof, taken with the ayes and noes and spread upon the minutes, and the action of said board must be indorsed on said demand and signed by the president and secretary thereof, or, in the absence of the president, by two members and the secretary thereof. After the approval of said demands by the Board of Water Commissioners, they shall be delivered to the City Auditor, who shall have the same power and perform the same duties in reference to demands payable out of the Water Revenue Fund, as are prescribed for other demands; provided, that in case the City Auditor shall reject any such demand, or if, in his opinion, said demand should be paid only in part, he shall return the same to the Board of Water Commissioners, instead of to the Council.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 213¾. All demands payable out of funds derived from the sale of bonds issued by the City of Los Angeles to pay the cost of constructing or completing any public work, improvement or building must be presented to the Board of Public Works, and, before they can be approved by the City Auditor or paid, must be previously approved by the Board of Public Works, by a vote of two members thereof, taken by the ayes and noes and spread upon the minutes of the board, and the action of said board must be endorsed on said demand by the president and secretary thereof, or, in the absence of the president, by two members and the secretary thereof. After the approval of said demands by the Board of Public Works they shall be delivered to the City Auditor, who shall have the same power and perform the same duties in reference to demands payable out of funds derived from the sale of bonds as are prescribed for other demands; provided, that in case the City Auditor shall reject

any of such demands, or if, in his opinion, said demands should be paid only in part, he shall return the same to the Board of Public Works, instead of to the Council.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 214. Any demand returned to the City Clerk, with the objections of either the Mayor or City Auditor, shall again be considered by the Council, and if it shall again be approved by the Council by the same vote taken and recorded and endorsed in the same manner as required by section 209 hereof, the said objection shall be thereby overruled. Any demand returned to the Board of Education, the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library, the Board of Public Works, or the Board of Water Commissioners, with the objections of the Auditor, shall again be considered by such board, and if such demand be again approved, as required in the first instance, such objections of the said Auditor shall be thereby overruled. Any demand, the objections to which of the Mayor have been overruled, shall be delivered to the City Auditor, who shall have the same power and perform the same duties in reference thereto as if the same had been approved by the Mayor. Any demand, the objection to which of the City Auditor has been overruled by the Council, the Board of Education, the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library, the Board of Public Works, or the Board of Water Commissioners, as the case may be, shall be delivered to the City Auditor, who shall number and make a record of such demand, as in the case of demands approved by him.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 215. No demand can be approved by any board or officer, audited or paid, unless it specify each several item, with the date and amount thereof.

Sec. 216. No payment can be made from the city treasury, or out of the public funds of said city, unless the same be specially authorized by law or this Charter, nor unless the demand which is paid be duly audited as in this Charter provided. The term "audited," as used in this Charter with reference to demands upon the treasury, is to be understood to mean that said

demands have been presented to, passed upon and approved by every officer and board of officers, as required by this Charter, or the objections of the Mayor or City Auditor, or both, as the case may be, have been overruled, as herein provided, and this must appear upon the face of the paper representing the demand, or else it is not audited; provided, that the approval or rejection in whole or part of a demand by the Committee on Finance of the Council is advisory only to the Council, and the rejection by said committee of a demand in whole or in part does not of itself prevent it being duly audited.

Sec. 217. No demand upon the treasury shall be allowed by the City Auditor in favor of any person or officer in any manner indebted thereto without first deducting the amount of such indebtedness, nor to any person or officer having the collection, custody of or disbursement of public funds, unless his account has been duly presented, passed, approved and allowed, as required by law or this Charter; nor in favor of any officer who shall have neglected to make his official returns or his reports in writing in the manner and at the time required by law or this Charter, or by the ordinances or regulations made in pursuance thereof; nor to any officer who shall have neglected or refused to comply with any of the provisions of this Charter or ordinances of the city, or any act of Legislature regulating the duties of such officer, on being required in writing to comply therewith by the Mayor or the president of the Council; nor in favor of any officer for the time he shall have absented himself, without lawful cause, from the duties of his office during the office hours prescribed by this Charter or by ordinance, and the City Auditor may examine any officer receiving a salary from the treasury on oath touching such absence.

Sec. 218. The City Auditor must number and keep a record of all demands on the treasury approved by him, or his objections to which have been overruled, showing the number, date, amount and name of the original and present holder, on what account allowed, out of what funds payable, and by what officers

or board it has been previously approved; and it shall be a misdemeanor in office for the City Auditor to deliver any demand with his approval thereon, or otherwise, until this requisite has been complied with.

Sec. 219. Every lawful demand upon the treasury, duly audited, as in this Charter required, shall in all cases be paid on presentation and canceled, and the proper entry thereof be made, if there be sufficient money in the treasury belonging to the fund out of which it is payable; but if there be not sufficient money belonging to said fund to pay such demand, then it shall be registered in a book to be kept by the treasurer for that purpose, showing its number, when presented, date, amount, name of the original holder, and on what account allowed, and out of what fund payable; and being so registered, shall be returned to the party presenting it, with an endorsement of the word "registered," dated and signed by the City Treasurer. All registered demands shall be payable in the order of their registration.

Sec. 220. Nothing in this article contained shall be construed as interfering with or preventing the payment by the City Treasurer of bonds of the funded debt of the City of Los Angeles, and the interest coupons thereof, in accordance with the Constitution, laws and ordinances authorizing the issuance of said bonds.

Sec. 221. All public moneys collected by any officer or employee of the city shall be paid into the city treasury, without any deduction on account of any claim for fees, commissions or any other cause or pretense; and the compensation of any officer, employee or other person so collecting money, shall be paid by demands on the treasury duly audited as other demands are audited, and paid.

Sec. 222. No suit shall be brought on any claim for money or damages against the City of Los Angeles, its Board of Education, Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library, Board of Public Works, or the Board of Water Commissioners, until a demand for the same has been presented, as herein pro-

vided, and rejected in whole or in part. If rejected in part, suit may be brought to recover the whole. Nor shall suit be brought against said city, or said Board of Education, Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Public Library, Board of Public Works, or Board of Water Commissioners, upon any claim or demand that has been in whole approved and audited as provided herein; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to deprive the holder of any demand of his right to resort to a writ of mandamus or other proceedings against the City Council, or any board or officer of said city, to compel it or him to act upon such claim or demand, or to pay the same when so audited.—[Amendment, 1907.]

ARTICLE XXII.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

Sec. 223. The indebtedness of said city must not exceed the sum of $5,000,000, exclusive of any indebtedness that has been or may hereafter be incurred for the purpose of acquiring or establishing a system of waterworks for supplying the inhabitants of the city with water, and of any indebtedness that has been or may hereafter be incurred for the purpose of constructing sewers, for the collection and disposition of the sewage of the city, and of any indebtedness that has been or may hereafter be incurred for the purpose of constructing sewers for the collection and disposition of storm waters in the city. For any or all of these purposes a further indebtedness may be incurred by the issue of bonds under the provisions and subject only to the limitations of the Constitution and general laws.—[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 224. In any action, suit or proceedings in any court concerning an assessment of property, or levy of taxes, authorized by this act, or the collection of any such, or in the proceedings consequent thereon, such assessment, levy, consequent pro-

ceeding, and all proceedings connected therewith, shall be presumed to be regularly and duly done or taken until the contrary is shown; and when any proceeding, matter or thing is by this act committed, or left to the discretion of the Mayor and Council, or the Council, or other authorities of said city, such discretion or judgment, when expressed or declared, is final, and cannot be reviewed or called in question elsewhere.

Sec. 225. Real property when sold for, or to satisfy a delinquent assessment or tax, must be sold for United States coin, and not otherwise; and any one applying or seeking to redeem property so sold, as in this charter provided, must pay, or offer to pay, the sum necessary therefor in such coin, and not otherwise.

Sec. 226. In all prosecutions for violation of any city ordinance, rule or other regulation of said authorities, whether in the court of original jurisdiction or in any Appellate Court, it shall be unnecessary to plead the contents of the same; but the court before which the prosecution shall be pending shall take judicial notice of such ordinance, resolution, rule or other regulation, and of the contents thereof; and, in any civil action or proceeding to which the said corporation is a party, either as plaintiff or defendant, the adoption and contents of any ordinance, resolution, by-law, rule, or regulation may be prima facie proven by the introduction of the original entry thereof on the journal of the proceedings of the Council, a copy of such entry, certified by the City Clerk to be a full, true and correct copy of such original entry, or by the introduction of a printed copy thereof.

Sec. 227. All acts of the Legislature relating to the City of Los Angeles, and all city ordinances, resolutions and other regulations now in force and not inconsistent herewith, shall be and remain in force after this Charter takes effect until changed or repealed by the proper authority; and all rights vested under any former act or regulation, when this takes effect, shall thereby be lost, impaired or discharged; and all actions and proceedings commenced in any court wherein the City of Los Angeles is a

party, shall be continued under the law existing when said action or proceedings was commenced; provided that whenever, in any ordinance or resolution hereby continued in force, there shall be imposed duties on, or powers given to the clerk of the Council, such duties shall be performed by and such powers be exercised by the City Clerk.

Sec. 228. This charter shall take effect immediately on its approval by the Legislature, as provided by law.

ARTICLE XXIII.

[Amendment, 1903.]

Sec. 229. Immediately upon the adoption of this article the Mayor shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, five persons known by him to be devoted to the principles of civil service reform, who shall constitute and be known as the Board of Civil Service Commissioners.

They shall serve for the term of four years and without compensation. They shall so classify themselves by lot, that one of them shall go out of office at the end of one year; one at the end of two years; one at the end of three years; and two at the end of four years. Three commissioners shall constitute a quorum. All appointments to said commission, both original and to fill vacancies, shall be made by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council, and shall be so made that not more than three members shall at the same time be members of the same political party. Said commissioners shall hold no other office or public employment.

Sec. 230. The Mayor, with the consent of the Council, may remove any commissioner for incompetency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office.

Sec. 231. Said commission shall classify all the offices and places of employment mentioned in section 239 of this article with reference to the examination herein provided for. The offices

and places so classified by the commission shall constitute the classified civil service of said city; and no appointment to any such offices or places shall be made except under and according to the rules hereinafter mentioned.

Sec. 232. Said commission shall make rules to carry out the purposes of this article and for the examinations and appointments in accordance with its provisions, and the commission may, from time to time, make changes in such rules.

Sec. 233. All rules made as hereinbefore provided, and all changes therein, shall be printed for distribution by said commission. The commission shall give notice by publication in the official paper of the place or places where said rules may be obtained, and in such publication shall be specified the date, not less than thirty days subsequent to the date of such publication, when said rules shall go into operation.

Sec. 234. All applicants for office, places, or employments in said classified civil service shall be subject to examination, which shall be public, competitive and free to all citizens of the United States, with specified limitations as to residence, age, sex, health, habits and moral character. Such examinations shall be practical in their character, and shall relate to those matters which will fairly test the relative capacity of the persons examined to discharge the duties of the position to which they seek to be appointed, and, when appropriate, shall include, or exclusively consist of, tests of physical qualifications, health and manual skill. No question in any examination shall relate to political or religious opinions or affiliations. The commission shall control all examinations, and may, whenever an examination is to take place, obtain the assistance of a suitable person or number of persons to aid it in preparing for and conducting such examinations.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 235. Notice of time, place and general scope of every examination shall be given by the commission by publication for two weeks preceding such examination in the official paper, and such notice shall also be posted by said commission in a conspicu-

ous place at the City Hall, and in its office, two weeks before such examination. Such further notice of examination shall be given as it may prescribe. Provided, that for registration in the class of unskilled laborers medical or physical examinations may be made or held from day to day as applicants present themselves, and without previous notice.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 236. From the examinations made by the commission it shall prepare a register, in each grade or class of position, in the classified civil service, other than that of unskilled laborers employed by the day, of the persons whose general average standing upon examination for such grade or class is not less than the minimum fixed by the rules of said commission, and who are otherwise eligible, and such persons shall take rank upon the register as candidates in order of their relative excellence, as determined by their examination without reference to priority of the date of examination.

The commission shall also keep a register upon which shall be entered, in the order of their application, the names of all who apply for employment in the class of unskilled laborers, and who, after such medical or physical examination as the board may prescribe, are found to be capable of performing in a satisfactory manner the duties of the occupation sought. In case any registered applicant in said class of unskilled laborers shall be employed, and subsequently laid off or dismissed through lack of work, or through no fault of his own, that fact shall be forthwith certified to the Board of Civil Service Commissioners by the head of the department in which such laborer was employed, and he shall be restored to his original place upon the register.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 237. The commission shall by its rules provide for the promotion in such classified civil service on the basis of ascertained merit and seniority in service and examination, and shall provide in all cases where it is practicable that vacancies shall be filled by promotion. All examinations for promotion shall be competitive among such members of the next lower

rank as desire to submit themselves to such examination; and it shall be the duty of the commission to submit to the appointing power the names of not more than three applicants for each promotion having the highest rating; but in fixing said rating a uniform allowance of credits, to be stated at the time of the announcement of said examination, shall be made for each year of past service. The method of examination and the rules governing the same, and the method of certifying, shall be the same as provided for applicants for original appointment.

Sec. 237½. Any civil service employe who is injured in the service of the city while actually engaged in the discharge of the duties of his position may, in the discretion of the Board of Civil Service Commissioners, be assigned to a position other than that for which he has been examined, and with or without examination. Said commissioners, upon assigning such person so injured to such new position, shall place his name at the head of the eligible list, and he shall thereafter be first certified for such position. The Board of Civil Service Commissioners shall not place such person so injured as aforesaid at the head of any eligible list without carefully examining the facts of each case, and making its finding that such person is not incompetent, by reason of physical or other disability, to fill the same. Nothing in this provision shall be construed as compelling said Commission to take the action herein provided for unless the person injured is, in the judgment of said Commission, of good moral character and worthy of receiving the benefits hereof.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 238. The head of a department in which position in the class of unskilled laborers employed by the day is to be filled shall notify said Commission of that fact, and said Commission shall thereupon certify to such officer or board the name and address of the applicant standing first in order on the register of unskilled laborers, and the applicant thus certified shall thereupon be employed by such officer or board.

The head of a department in which a position, classified un-

der this article, except a position in the class of unskilled laborers, is to be filled, shall notify said Commission of that fact, and said Commission shall certify to such officer the name and address of one or more candidates, not exceeding three, standing highest on the register for the class or grade to which said position belongs. In making such certification, sex shall be disregarded, except when some statute, the rules of said Commission, or the appointing power specify sex, said appointing officer or department shall notify said Commission of each position to be filled separately, and shall fill such place from the names certified to him or it by said Commission therefor. The candidate thus appointed shall be employed on probation for a period to be fixed by said rules, not exceeding six months. Each candidate, unless he shall be sooner appointed, or otherwise lawfully cease to be a candidate, shall be certified for appointment in the grade or class for which he is eligible not less than three times, and no candidate shall lose his place on the register by certification or rejection, except that said Commission may strike off names of candidates from the register after they have remained thereon more than two years. At or before the expiration of the period of probation, the head of the department or office in which the candidate is employed, may discharge him upon assigning in writing the reasons therefor to said Commission. If he is not thus discharged during the period of probation, his appointment shall be deemed complete. To prevent the stoppage of public business, or to meet extraordinary exigencies, the head of any department, or any officer or board may, under such regulations as the Commission may by its rules prescribe, make temporary appointments in the classified civil service, to remain in force not exceeding sixty days, and only until regular appointment, under the provisions of this article, can be made.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 239. The provisions of this article shall apply to the following departments of the city, to-wit:

The Department of the City Clerk.

The Department of Electricity.

The Fire Department.
The Treasurer's Department.
The Tax Collector's Department.
The Police Department.
The Auditor's Department.
The Assessor's Department.
The Health Department.
The Department of Building.
The Department of Public Works.
The Waterworks Department.
The Public Library.
The Park Department.
The City Engineer's Department.
The Street Department.
All Departments of Public Utilities.
All other employees of the city.

Provided, that the following shall be exempt therefrom, to-wit:

All officers elected by the people.
All members of the different boards and commissions.
The Mayor's Clerk.
The Chief of Police and his Secretary.
The Chief Deputy of the Treasurer.
The City Engineer and his Chief Deputy.
The Chief Deputy and Cashier of the Tax Collector.
The Chief Deputy of the Auditor.
The City Superintendent of Schools and his deputies and teachers.
The assistants and stenographers of the City Attorney.
The City Prosecutor and the Assistant City Prosecutors.
The Librarian.
The Superintendent of Parks.
The Secretary of the Park Commission.
The Secretary of the Police Commission.
The Superintendent of Buildings.

The Humane Officer.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

The Superintendent, Water Overseer, Auditor and Cashier of the Waterworks Department.

All physicians appointed on or by the Board of Health.

All officers of election.

The police surgeons.

And any of the following persons may be exempted from the provisions of this article, upon the request of the head of the department in which they are employed, by order of the Board of Civil Service Commission, approved by the Council by resolution passed by the vote of two-thirds (2-3) of all its members, to-wit: (a) The first and second deputies in any department or either of such deputies where not exempt, as above provided. (b) Unskilled laborers, including drivers. (c) Persons employed on the construction of public works, improvements or buildings. (d) Persons employed to render professional, scientific, technical or expert services of an occasional and exceptional character. Any exemption thus made may be terminated at any time by resolution of the Board of Civil Service Commissioners.—[Amendment, 1907.]

Sec. 240. The members of the police force shall be subject to removal and discharge as provided elsewhere in this Charter.

Sec. 241. The members of the fire force shall be subject to removal and discharge as provided elsewhere in this Charter.

Sec. 242. No officer or employee in the classified civil service of the city, other than an unskilled laborer employed by the day, shall be removed or discharged except for cause upon written charges, and after an opportunity to be heard in his own defense. Such charges shall be publicly investigated by the Board of Police Commissioners in the case of an officer or employee in the Police Department; by the Board of Fire Commissioners in the case of an officer or employee in the Fire Department; and by the Board of Civil Service Commissioners in all other cases. If the board conducting such investigation shall find that suf-

ficient cause is shown therefor, it shall order that such officer or employee be removed or discharged, such finding and decision shall be final, and except in the case of an officer or employee in the Police or Fire Department, shall be certified to and be forthwith enforced by the appointing board or officer.

Nothing in this article shall limit the power of any appointing board or officer to suspend a subordinate for a reasonable period, not exceeding thirty days.—[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 243. Immediate notice in writing shall be given by the appointing powers, to said Commission, of all appointments, permanent or temporary, made in such classified civil service, and of all transfers, promotions, resignations, or vacancies from any cause in such service, and of the date thereof, and a record of the same shall be kept by said Commission. When any office or place of employment is created or abolished, or the compensation attached thereto altered, the officer or board making such change shall immediately report in writing to said Commission.

Sec. 244. The Commission shall investigate the enforcement of this article and its rules, and the conduct and action of the appointees in the classified civil service in this city.

Sec. 245. Said Commission shall make an annual report to the Mayor for transmission to the Council. The Mayor may require a special report from said Commission at any time.

Sec. 246. Said Commission shall appoint a secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep minutes of its proceedings and a record of all examinations held under its direction, and perform such other duties as the Commission may prescribe.

Sec. 247. All officers of said city shall aid the Commission in all proper ways in carrying out the provisions of this article.

Sec. 248. The Council shall furnish said commissioners with suitable offices and shall provide furniture, books, stationery, blanks, heat and light, and is authorized and required to pay such other expense as may be necessarily incurred by said commissioners in carrying out the provisions of this article.

Sec. 249. No officer or other person shall wilfully or cor-

ruptly, by himself or in co-operation with one or more other persons, defeat, deceive or obstruct any person in respect to his or her right of examination, or corruptly or falsely mark, grade, estimate, or report upon the examination or proper standing of any person examined hereunder, or aid in so doing, or wilfully or corruptly furnish to any person any special or secret information for the purpose of either improving or injuring the prospects or chances of any person so examined or to be examined, of being employed, appointed or promoted.

Sec. 250. No applicant for appointment in said classified civil service, either directly or indirectly, shall pay or promise to pay any money or other valuable thing to any person whatever for or on account of his appointment, or proposed appointment, and no other officer or employee shall pay, or promise to pay, either directly or indirectly, any money or other valuable thing whatever, for or on account of his promotion.

Sec. 251. The Commission shall certify to the Auditor all appointments to offices or places in the classified civil service, or vacancies occurring therein, whether by dismissal, resignation or death, and all findings that a person shall be discharged from the classified civil service.

, Sec. 252. The Auditor shall not, nor shall any auditing or accounting officer of the city, approve any demand for the salary or wages of any person subject to the provisions of this article, for services as an officer or employee of such city, before the appointment of such person to the classified civil service has been certified, nor after the Commission shall have certified to the Auditor a finding made or approved by it under the provisions of this article, that such person be discharged from the classified civil service.

Sec. 253. All officers and employees who, at the time of taking effect of this article, would be included in the classified civil service, and who shall have been continuously in the service of the city for a period of six months prior to the adoption of this article, shall be deemed to have the necessary qualifications

required by the provisions hereof, and shall retain their respective positions until removed for cause, as provided herein. All officers and employees who, at the time of the taking effect of this article, would be included in the classified civil service, but who have been in the service of the city for a period of less than six months, shall, during the period of six months from and after the taking effect of this article, be deemed to be serving under probation and be subject to the same regulations as other candidates serving under probation, as hereinbefore provided in this article.

Sec. 254. The City Council of the City of Los Angeles shall have power to pass ordinances imposing suitable penalties for the punishment of persons violating any of the provisions of this article.

ARTICLE XXIV.

Sec. 255. Whenever it shall be provided by law that any of the duties now performed or hereafter to be performed by any officer or officers of the City of Los Angeles, may be performed by any officer or officers of the County of Los Angeles, the City of Los Angeles, may, by ordinance ratified by vote of the qualified electors of the city as hereinafter prescribed, provide that the duties of such city officer or officers, or any of such duties as are now permitted by law to be performed by such county officer or officers, may be performed by such county officer or officers of the County of Los Angeles, at the times and in the manner, and to the extent provided for by law. In case by such ordinance all the duties of an officer of the city are devolved upon an officer of the county, then upon the taking effect of such ordinance such city office shall cease to exist while such ordinance remains in force, but shall be revived by the repeal of such ordinance; and if by such ordinance only a part of the duties of an office are so devolved, then the remaining duties thereof shall be

performed by such officer as may be designated for that purpose by such ordinance, and the office shall cease to exist while such ordinance remains in effect, but shall be revived by the repeal of such ordinance. As to all duties so performed by any county officer, he shall be ex-officio an officer of the City of Los Angeles. All provisions of this charter in conflict herewith, or with the provisions of such law, or with such ordinance, shall be suspended during the time that such ordinance remains in force and effect. —[Amendment, 1905.]

Sec. 256. No ordinance passed pursuant to the last preceding section shall take effect until it shall have been submitted for ratification by the voters of the city at a general municipal or special election, and ratified by a majority of all votes cast on the question of such ratification. No such ordinance shall be repealed or amended until the repealing or amending ordinance shall have been submitted for ratification by the voters of such city at a general municipal or special election, and ratified by a majority of all votes cast on the question of such ratification.—[Amendment, 1905.]

ARTICLE XXV.

[Amendment, 1909.]

Annexations, Consolidation of City and County Governments, Establishment and Government of Boroughs, Harbor Improvement Bonds.

Sec. 257. Whenever it shall be authorized by the laws of this State, it shall be lawful, under the Charter of the City of Los Angeles, to annex or join to the City of Los Angeles any contiguous city or town in Los Angeles County, incorporated under the general laws of the State, or existing under a freeholders' charter, or any contiguous territory in said county, within any part of which the whole of any such city or town may be in-

cluded, to be governed under the Charter of the City of Los Angeles, and the question of annexation or joinder to the City of Los Angeles may be voted upon at an election to be called and held as provided by law.

It shall also be lawful to consolidate the city and county governments within the boundaries of the City of Los Angeles as now or hereafter established whenever the same shall be authorized by the laws of this State.

Sec. 258. A borough may be established in any territory hereafter annexed to the City of Los Angeles containing a population of not less than five hundred inhabitants, whether such territory in whole or in part was or was not included within the limits of any incorporated city or town at or immediately prior to the time of such annexation, in the manner, with the powers and subject to the conditions and limitations hereinafter provided:

(a) The government of a borough, established under the provisions of this Charter, shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, to consist of five members, to be elected by the qualified electors of such borough, and the other officers of such borough to be appointed by the Board of Trustees thereof, as hereafter provided.

(b) Whenever a petition shall be presented to the City Council of the City of Los Angeles, signed by at least fifty per cent. of the qualified voters residing in such territory, computed upon the number of votes cast at the last general State election held therein, describing the boundaries of such territory and proposed borough and stating the proposed name thereof, and praying for the establishment therein of a borough system of government, the City Council of the City of Los Angeles must without delay submit to the voters of such territory the question whether such proposed borough shall be established, at a special election to be called and held for that purpose, and cause a notice of such election to be published in a newspaper printed and published in the territory embraced within such proposed borough, if any such there be, at least once a week for a period of three successive weeks next preceding the date of such election. If

there be no such newspaper, such notice shall be posted for the same period in at least five public places in such territory. Such notice shall particularly describe the boundaries of such proposed borough; shall state the name thereof, and shall require the voters to cast ballots, which shall contain the words, "For the Establishment of the Borough" or "Against the Establishment of the Borough," or words equivalent thereto, and also the names of the persons to be voted for to fill the office of members of the Board of Trustees of such proposed borough.

Such election shall be called, held and conducted, and the returns thereof shall be canvassed and the result thereof declared by the City Council, in all respects as in the case of general municipal elections in the City of Los Angeles. If, upon such canvass, it appears that the majority of the votes cast are in favor of the establishment of such borough, the City Council shall, by an order entered upon its minutes, declare such borough duly established, with the name thereof stated in such petition, and declare the five persons receiving, respectively, the highest number of votes for members of the Board of Trustees of such borough to be the duly elected members of the Board of Trustees thereof, and thereupon the establishment of such borough shall be complete, and such officers shall be entitled to enter immediately upon the discharge of the duties of their respective offices, upon qualifying in accordance with law. The trustees elected at such election shall hold office during the remainder of the period for which the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles then in office shall have been elected, and their successors in office shall be elected by the qualified voters of such borough at the same time and shall serve for like terms as shall be provided for election and duration of the term of office of Mayor of the City of Los Angeles.

(c) The Board of Trustees of such borough shall elect one of their number president, and shall prescribe by rules the time and place of their meetings and of their manner of procedure, and they shall have power to regulate and control all local mu-

nicipal affairs throughout the said borough, excepting as to those matters and things where jurisdiction is herein conferred upon or reserved to the City of Los Angeles; and they shall also have power to levy a general tax upon the taxable property within such borough for borough uses, not exceeding one dollar upon each one hundred dollars' worth of taxable property, according to the assessed value thereof.

The said Board of Trustees of any borough shall also have power to appoint and remove an attorney, a clerk, a treasurer, an auditor, a recorder, a marshal and necessary police officers and men, and such other officers, agents and employes as they deem necessary to conduct said borough government; provided, however, that the powers and duties of assessor and tax collector respectively, of such borough shall be vested in and be performed by the assessor and tax collector, respectively, of the City of Los Angeles. In case it shall be required by ordinance passed by the Board of Trustees of any borough, the City Treasurer of Los Angeles City shall perform the duties of Treasurer of such borough.

Except as herein otherwise provided, any borough established under this Charter shall have the powers, and the Board of Trustees and officers and agents thereof, respectively, shall have the powers and perform the duties now or hereafter conferred or imposed by the general laws of the State of California upon cities of the sixth class and the officers and agents thereof, respectively.

(d) The qualified voters of any borough shall be entitled to vote at all elections for officers of the City of Los Angeles, and at all other elections affecting property in such borough.

(e) All general taxes levied and collected by, or for, and on account of, any borough, shall be paid over to the proper borough treasurer, except as hereafter provided.

All property within any borough shall be taxable for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of any bonded or other indebtedness of the City of Los Angeles incurred after the an-

nexation of the territory in which such borough is located and before the establishment of such borough, and of any bonds issued by said city, under the provisions of section 262 of this Charter, after such annexation, and of any bonds issued for county indebtedness, in case of the consolidation of city and county governments. All taxes upon property in any borough for the purpose of paying the principal or interest of bonds issued by such borough, or of bonded or other indebtedness of said city incurred as aforesaid, or of bonds issued by said city, as aforesaid, under the provisions of section 262 of this Charter, shall be levied and collected by said city and shall be paid over to the Treasurer of said city. No other taxes shall be levied or collected by said city upon property within such borough; provided, however, that if the whole or any part of such borough shall heretofore have been embraced within the limits of an incorporated city, and there are any outstanding bonds or other indebtedness of such city chargeable against property within such borough, the City of Los Angeles shall have power to levy and collect upon such property, from time to time, such sums as shall be found due from it on account of its just proportion of liability for any payment on the principal or interest of such indebtedness, and to pay the same in discharging such liability; and provided, further, that in case of the consolidation of city and county governments, the property within any such borough shall be taxable for general purposes of such consolidated city and county, subject, however, to the limitations prescribed in section 259 of this Charter.

The principal and interest of all bonds issued by any borough shall be paid through the Treasurer of the City of Los Angeles.

(f) The City of Los Angeles shall have exclusive jurisdiction over two streets or highways in each borough which, in themselves, or in continuation of, or in connection with, other streets or highways, extend from the present boundaries of the City of Los Angeles to the water front and to established government harbor lines, if such harbor lines shall have been established at

such water front, and of two cross streets within such borough which lead to any docks, wharves, piers or navigable waters in such borough, which streets and cross streets, and the continuations or extensions of streets, as aforesaid, shall be selected and designated by ordinance of the City Council of the City of Los Angeles as harbor highways. The City of Los Angeles shall have exclusive power to control and regulate the use, maintenance and repair of such harbor highways, and the making of excavations therein, and to open, extend, widen, straighten, grade, regrade, macadamize, remacadamize, pave, repave, establish or change the grade of, or otherwise improve the same, and shall also have exclusive power to control or acquire, own, construct and operate water, gas, electric lighting and power plants, railroads, street railroads and electric roads, and to grant franchises therefor upon and over such harbor highways. The City of Los Angeles shall also have, throughout the whole of said city, including any such borough, the exclusive power to acquire, construct, own, operate and maintain docks, wharves, piers, canals and seawalls, and to regulate and control navigable waters, anchorage, wharfage and pilotage, and shall have the ownership, possession and control of all tidelands and submerged lands below the line of mean high tide, whether filled or unfilled, and of all water front within the limits of said city; provided, that not exceeding 1000 feet of water frontage continuous in one body, within any such borough, with any wharves, docks, piers or other improvements thereon or to be placed thereon under authority of any such borough, together with the adjoining co-terminus tide land or submerged land, is hereby reserved for the uses of such borough, and such borough shall have jurisdiction over such 1000 feet of frontage and such improvements thereon and such co-terminus tide land or submerged land for municipal purposes, and shall designate such frontage by ordinance within sixty days after the organization of the first Board of Trustees of such borough; provided, however, that such frontage so designated shall not include any portion of water frontage or lands theretofore improved by the City

of Los Angeles, except by consent of the City of Los Angeles given by ordinance adopted by its City Council; and provided, further, that such frontage shall be subject to all rights of way for highways, railways, street and other railroads, as may be determined from time to time by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles.

Sec. 259. Whenever the consolidation of city and county governments of the territory within the City of Los Angeles becomes effective, the City Council, or its successor in office, of the consolidated city and county of Los Angeles shall also exercise the powers of a Board of Supervisors, including the power to levy and collect taxes, as may be authorized by law, upon all property within such consolidated city and county; provided, that in any borough, if any there be, embraced in such consolidated city and county, not exceeding one-half of the percentage of the levy of taxes for general purposes of such consolidated city and county, shall be levied and collected from property in such borough. In all other respects such borough shall continue to exist and be governed as hereinbefore provided in this article.

Sec. 260. Whenever, in the opinion of the City Attorney of Los Angeles, the public interests require him so to do, he shall be authorized, and whenever directed by the City Council of Los Angeles, it shall be his duty, to commence and prosecute all actions and proceedings in the name of the City to recover possession of, or to determine adverse claims to, any highway, street, alley, water frontage, tide land or other property held for or dedicated to any public use.

Sec. 261. It shall be unlawful to sell, convey, alienate, transfer or lease any part of the water front, tide lands, submerged lands, or other real property or appurtenances thereunto belonging, owned or held by the City of Los Angeles, or by any borough therein, for any public use, unless thereunto authorized by two-thirds of the qualified voters of the city voting at a general or special election at which such proposition shall have been submitted; provided, that whenever the City of Los Angeles shall

have acquired the absolute title and possession to more than ten thousand consecutive feet (linear measurement) of water frontage and the co-terminus and adjacent tide and submerged land upon the water front, as fixed by the government harbor lines of the navigable waters of the outer or inner bay of San Pedro, not including frontage upon any island nor frontage held by any borough, nor any frontage created by construction of channels by any person or corporation other than the United States, the City of Los Angeles may lease, by ordinance, from the water frontage in excess of said ten thousand feet so owned by said city, for periods of not exceeding fifteen years, alternate frontages upon such outer or inner bay where it so owns such water frontage, as the case may be, not exceeding one thousand linear feet in a continuous body, together with the adjacent and co-terminus tide land, to any person or corporation, and said ten thousand feet of water frontage and each alternate thousand feet of such excess water frontage, together with the adjacent and co-terminus tide and submerged land, shall be reserved for public uses as aforesaid. Each such lease shall contain a condition that in case such lease or property, or any part thereof, embraced therein, shall be transferred or sub-leased, or the control thereof given or granted to any person or corporation so that such person or corporation shall then own, hold or control more than two (2) thousand feet of said water front, upon any part of the outer or inner bay of San Pedro, then such lease, and all rights thereunder, shall thereupon be absolutely terminated. Every such lease granted or made hereunder shall be subject to all rights of way over the tide and submerged land embraced therein for highways, streets, railways and street and other railroads, as may from time to time be determined by the City Council.

In any case, where the City of Los Angeles or its predecessors in interest or authority shall have executed any lease or grant, or any document purporting to be such, to any person or corporation, the water front, tide lands and submerged lands covered thereby, shall not be deemed to be subject to be again leased or

granted by the City of Los Angeles under this section until such lease or grant shall have been cancelled or otherwise terminated, and until the City of Los Angeles shall have regained peaceable possession of such property.

Sec. 262. For the purpose of opening, improving, constructing or maintaining streets, highways or other means of public transportation, to navigable waters within the County of Los Angeles, and acquiring the necessary land therefor by purchase or condemnation, and for the further purpose of constructing and maintaining canals and waterways between such navigable waters and any such streets, highways or means of transportation, and acquiring the necessary land therefor, by purchase or condemnation, and for the further purpose of constructing docks, wharves and warehouses, within or without the city boundary, to be owned and operated by the city, and acquiring the necessary land therefor by purchase or condemnation, the City of Los Angeles shall be authorized to incur an indebtedness, in addition to any amount now authorized by law, and to issue bonds therefor, to be designated as "Harbor Improvement Bonds."

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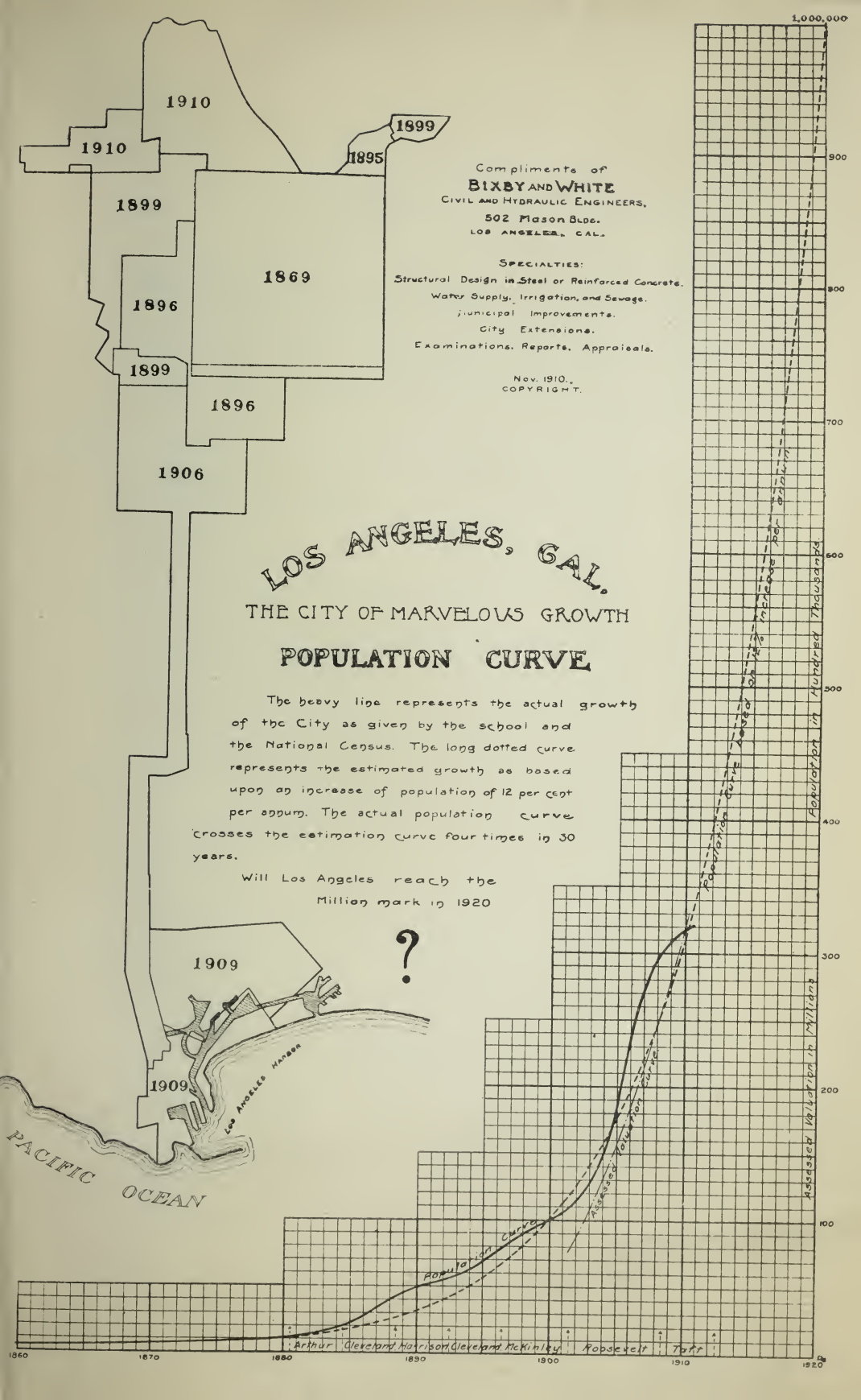
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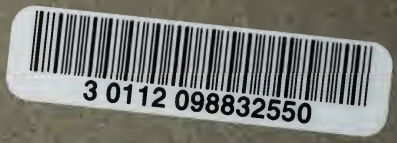
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